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Killing rattles Jewish community's long-held trust

Detectives walk Levi Aron, center, to a police car at the Brooklyn borough of New York's 67th precinct on Thursday, July 14, 2011. Aron is accused of killing eight-year-old Leiby Kletzky, who disappeared while walking home from a Brooklyn day camp. Aron told investigators that he suffocated the child before a massive search led to the discovery of his dismembered remains, according to a law enforcement official.

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NEW YORK — Yocheved Schachter, a 47-year-old nurse who lives in Borough Park, acknowledges that she has a double standard of sorts: one for people who share her background, and one for people who do not. "If you're in the airport and need help, a Jew will help you," said Schachter, who is a mother and a grandmother. "I pick up hitchhikers, boys waiting to go to yeshiva. When I travel and see another Jew, we'll eyeball each other; there's a connection. Everywhere you go, all over the world. I'll still do it."

So like her neighbors in Borough Park, she has been bewildered by the fact that Leiby Kletzky, 8, was kidnapped and killed, the police say, at the hands of another apparently religious Jew, though not a Hasidic one.

"The fact that this came from within," she said, "it's beyond belief."

With its distinctive dress and customs, the insular ultra-Orthodox community of Borough Park has always been somewhat wary of outsiders who might introduce temptations and ideas that could erode their way of life.

But the converse — too much trust of those within — has also been true, many civic and religious leaders say, and it is only in recent years that people have become less guileless about and protective of ill-doers from inside their tribe.

On Thursday, Levi Aron, 35, was ordered held without bail on a charge of second-degree murder, and the police disclosed elements of a confession. Aron, according to the police, said that Leiby had approached him on the street Monday afternoon, that he had taken the boy to a wedding in Rockland County that night and that he had suffocated the boy in a panic the next day when he realized the huge search effort that was under way. The police also say the boy may have put

up a struggle.

It may never be known whether Leiby trusted Aron because he appeared to be someone like him.

But the murder occurred at a moment of a slow change in how Borough

have been changing. Ruchama Clapman, who runs a small agency that deals with drug and alcohol abuse and sexual molestation largely within the pious Jewish community, recalled that 14 years



Levi Aron is arraigned before Judge William Miller in Brooklyn criminal court Thursday, July 14, 2011, in New York. Aron, 35, is charged with luring 8-year-old Leiby Kletzky to his home on Monday, and then smothering him and chopping him up when he learned that a search was under way for the missing child. Detectives found the boy's feet in Aron's freezer.

(AP Photo/Louis Lanzano, Pool)

Park residents regarded one another, and some people interviewed on Thursday predicted that, for better or worse, the tragedy would only accelerate it. "Someone told me, 'Now you know who your neighbors are,'" said Ben Herb, 37, who works at MS Optical on 16th Avenue.

"I said: We always had to be cautious in this neighborhood.

Here in the center of Borough Park is where you have to be very careful. Most of your neighbors are Orthodox Jews with which children are comfortable. That, in itself, is a risk." "My children don't talk to strangers whether they wear a yarmulke or a do-rag," he added.

The authorities and social service officials in Borough Park agreed that attitudes

ago when she started her agency she encountered tremendous resistance simply talking about the problems, "and it took many years before the community was accepting that we had these issues in our community."

"It was hanging out dirty laundry," she said. People were afraid that if a victim sought help and a problem became widely known, parents might find it difficult to find matches for their sons and daughters, and social and business relations would be hurt.

There was also the often misinterpreted prohibition against mesirah — informing on a fellow Jew to non-Jewish authorities — that was a leftover tenet from a time when European Jews had to deal cautiously with anti-Semitic officials. □

Behind battle over debt, a war over government

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WASHINGTON — The endgame in the fight to increase the nation's debt limit has only begun, but intense exchanges this week have made it clear that this is not so much a dollars-and-cents budget negotiation as a broader clash between the two parties over the size and role of government.

What makes a bipartisan "grand bargain" so elusive are less the budget numbers, on which compromise could be in reach, than each side's principles, which do not lend themselves to splitting the difference. President Barack Obama wants deficit reduction, including tax increases for wealthier Americans and corporations. Congressional Republicans, prodded by a cadre of uncompromising junior lawmakers, want a vastly smaller government constrained by lower taxes. The two are not the same thing. Obama will make his case Friday in a White House news conference, his third in just two weeks. However this showdown is settled, it seems

The two sides met for under two hours at the White House on Thursday, even as attention appeared to shift away from the prospect of a bipartisan budget agreement to the likelihood of a backup plan to raise the debt ceiling before the Aug. 2 deadline.

Having discussed spending cuts in past White House meetings, the negotiators considered the administration's proposals for raising taxes, which Republicans have vowed to oppose. Obama previously had said they would meet again on Friday to decide whether they could come to some deficit-reduction deal or else give up and negotiate a way to raise the \$14.3 trillion debt limit while deferring the bigger budget-cutting clash.

Instead, at the end of Thursday's session, he told the leaders to consider the issue and be ready for his summons to a weekend meeting.

Underlying the budget drama between the White House and congressional Republicans is another compelling drama among Republicans, which exposes an ideological



President Barack Obama, center, sits with from left, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi of Calif., House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio; Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nev. and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell of Ky. during a meeting with Republican and Democratic leaders regarding the debt ceiling, Thursday, July 14, 2011, in the Cabinet Room of the White House in Washington.

(AP Photo/Charles Dharapak)

increasingly likely to define not only the legislative record of this Congress, divided between a Republican-controlled House and a Democratic-controlled Senate, but also the 2012 elections and Obama's prospects for a second term.

and generational gap. On one side are older, more senior conservatives like the two top leaders, Speaker John A. Boehner and Sen. Mitch McConnell, the minority leader, who remember the budget fights and Republican setbacks of the 1990s. □

Births top immigration for Mexican-Americans

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The fast-growing population in the United States of people of Mexican origin increased far more in the last decade from births here than from immigration from Mexico, according to a report Thursday by the Pew Hispanic Center.

After "one of the largest mass migrations in modern history" brought more than 10 million Mexicans to live in the United States from 1970 to 2007, the Pew report found, the number of immigrants arriving fell sharply in recent years.

At the same time, Mexican immigrants who settled here were a young group more likely to be in their child-bearing years than Americans overall, and with somewhat higher fertility rates than Americans, the center reported. From 2000 to 2010, about 7.2 million babies of Mexican origin were born in this country, the report found, while 4.2 million new immigrants arrived from Mexico.

About 31.8 million people of Mexican origin now make up 10 percent of the U.S. population, according to the report, and nearly two-thirds of all Hispanics in the country. "The immigration of the last decades built up a relatively young population that is having births," said Jeffrey S. Passel, senior demographer at the Pew Hispanic Center, an author of the report. The figures, which are based on recent census data from the United States and Mexico, include Mexican-born immigrants living in this country and Hispanic Americans who trace their ancestry to Mexico. The Pew Hispanic Center is a nonpartisan research organization in Washington. According to the report, about 39 percent of people of Mexican origin here, or 12.4 million people, are immigrants. No other country in the world has as many of its citizens living abroad as Mexico, the Pew report found. □

Minnesota leaders reach deal to end shutdown

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The governor of Minnesota and that state's Republican lawmakers announced on Thursday that they had, at last, reached a deal on the state's budget, bringing what is expected to mean a swift reopening of government services there.

In the end, Mark Dayton, the Democratic governor, gave up his wish to raise taxes on the wealthiest Minnesotans and agreed to a set of provisions that Republican leaders had offered him two weeks ago, just before the state closed its parks and sent 22,000 workers home. Still, Republicans leaders said they, too, had not gotten all they had wished for: deeper cuts in state spending.

Instead, both sides agreed to balance the state's approximately \$35 billion budget by finding an added \$1.4 billion in revenue through some fancy accounting maneuvers — delaying payments to local schools districts (who were unhappy to learn of this) and borrowing money against expected future payments from the tobacco industry. Critics complained that the choice merely delayed Minnesota's financial troubles rather than making difficult, lasting

decisions about whether to raise taxes or to cut services. Other Minnesotans wondered aloud what two weeks of a shuttered Capitol, no rest stops and no lottery had been about in the first place, if both sides were now agreeing to

year — would soon be over. It was uncertain exactly when the state will officially reopen; legislators need to formally vote on the bills, and that may take several days, officials said. By this week, the shutdown, which began on July 1,

customers and questioning what the fallout would be for the state's national reputation. Some 300 restaurants and bars were unable to renew their state-issued cards allowing them to buy alcohol from distributors, and more would need new



Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton greets spectators at an address about the state's government shutdown at the University of Minnesota in St. Paul, Minn., July 14, 2011. Dayton, a Democratic governor, announced on Thursday that he would drop demands for a tax increase and agree to budget terms proposed by Republican lawmakers before the state shut down government services two weeks ago, but with several new conditions.

(Jenn Ackerman/The New York Times)

an offer that had already been on table. But others simply voiced relief that the longest and broadest shutdown in state history — the only one in the nation this

was stretching well beyond public services. Tourist businesses near the state's closed campgrounds complained that they were losing their crucial summer

cards soon. And, with the leaders in St. Paul not even meeting to talk in recent days, some Minnesotans were miserably envisioning months more like this. □

Police raid US home of Picasso theft suspect

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Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A man accused of stealing a valuable Picasso drawing from a San Francisco gallery had about \$500,000 worth of other stolen artwork in his New Jersey apartment, including another Picasso, police said Thursday.

Authorities raided the Hoboken home of Mark Lugo on Wednesday after Lugo made a phone call Tuesday from the San Francisco jail to a female friend in Pennsylvania, Hoboken police Detective Sgt. Edwin Pantoja said. Armed with a search warrant, authorities said they found a Picasso drawing worth \$350,000 that had been reported stolen from a New York hotel, among six other pieces around Lugo's apartment.

"The Picasso was hanging on his wall," Pantoja said. "The others were displayed all over his apartment. He had

a nice little gallery going on."

Lugo's attorney, Douglas Horngard, said he was aware of the latest allegations but wouldn't comment in further detail on the claims.

However, he said the crimes appear to be the work of someone in the midst of a compulsive episode, "rather than an art thief who is sophisticated enough to know how to fence a Picasso."

Lugo, 30, is scheduled for arraignment Friday in San Francisco. His lawyer previously said Lugo intends to plead not guilty.

He was being held on \$5 million bail in connection with the July 5 theft of the 1965 Picasso drawing, "Tete de Femme" from the Weinstein Gallery.

After the drawing was snatched, police said, the thief hopped in a taxi to a nearby high-end hotel. Lugo was later traced to the hotel and later to Napa where he was arrested while

visiting friends.

The Picasso — worth more than \$200,000 — was found undamaged, unframed and prepped in Napa to be shipped to an undisclosed location.

Surveillance video from a San Francisco restaurant showed a man matching Lugo's description walking by with a piece of framed artwork covered by a newspaper under his arm, police said.

After learning about the incident, authorities in New York determined that Lugo matched the description of a man seen in a video taken at the posh Carlyle hotel in New York, where a Picasso drawing worth \$350,000 was stolen last month, Pantoja said.

"Once New York saw the news reports of that arrest, they contacted San Francisco police, got their video and sure enough it was the same guy," Pantoja said. □

Pawlenty raises \$4.5 million for race

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Tim Pawlenty will report raising \$4.5 million since entering the Republican presidential race, a campaign aide said Thursday, nearly all of it money earmarked for the primary season. Pawlenty, the former Minnesota governor who was the first Republican to enter the race but who has had difficulty sustaining his momentum, spent about \$2.45 million during the second quarter of the year. He will end the fundraising period with about \$1.4 million in cash on hand for the primaries and an additional \$600,000 in donations allocated for a general election campaign, the aide said. The total amount raised puts Pawlenty roughly even with Ron Paul, the representative from Texas, who is also expected to report raising \$4.5 million,

and ahead of several other Republican candidates who have previewed their



In this photo provided by NBC News Republican presidential candidate and former Minnesota governor Tim Pawlenty speaks on NBC's "Meet the Press" in Washington.

(AP Photo/NBC News, William B. Plowman)

fundraising numbers in advance of Friday's deadline

to file with the Federal Election Commission. The exception is Mitt Romney, the former Massachusetts governor, who will report raising \$18.25 million. (Michele Bachmann, the Minnesota representative, has not yet announced any fundraising numbers.)

The Republicans have so far been outstripped by President Barack Obama, whose campaign said this week that it had raised \$47 million for his re-election bid and \$38 million more for the Democratic National Committee. Pawlenty has put his hopes in the race for the Republican nomination on a strong showing at the Iowa Straw Poll in August. With Romney, who won the straw poll in 2007, skipping it this year, Pawlenty has been spending a lot of time and money in Iowa, including a six-figure advertising buy this week. □

Judge delays deportation of gay man married to citizen

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A judge on Thursday temporarily delayed deportation proceedings for a gay Costa Rican man married to a U.S. citizen until later this summer, urging the government and the immigrant's attorney to reach a resolution to the case, the immigrant's attorney said.

In a closed-courtroom hearing in immigration court, Judge Richard D. Walton rescheduled a court hearing for David Gonzalez until Aug. 31, based in part on a technicality. The government's attorney said the fingerprint records Gonzalez had on file with the government had expired, said John Nechman, Gonzalez's attorney.

But the judge also urged both sides to reach an agreement on the case before the August hearing, Nechman said. "The judge said this would give us time to be able to continue our efforts to work with the government to find a non-trial or non-adversarial decision in the case," Nechman said.

The Houston case comes on the heels of several recent decisions that have - at least temporarily - spared from deportation gays and lesbians who are in long-term relationships with U.S. citizens. On Wednesday, a San Francisco immigration judge postponed the deportation proceedings against a Venezuelan man married to a U.S. citizen. In June, the U.S. government canceled deportation proceedings for a Venezuelan man in New Jersey married to an American man - a high-profile case that advocates for immigrants and gays said signals a major shift toward greater leniency for same-sex couples in immigration proceedings.

The issue has gained traction since the Obama administration questioned the constitutionality of the Defense of Marriage Act, which bars the federal government from recognizing same-sex marriages. Immigrant and gay advocates have asked the government to stop deporting gay and lesbian couples who could be eligible for family-based green cards if the law is declared unconstitutional. But the idea of granting any kind of immigration benefits to same-sex couples remains highly controversial and has met with staunch opposition from immigration-control advocates and from Christian conservatives who oppose gay marriage.

Nechman said he provided the government's attorney on Thursday with a request that immigration officials exercise their prosecutorial discretion and move to dismiss Gonzalez's case, in part because of his long-term relationship with Mario Ramirez, a U.S. citizen.

Gonzalez, 35, and Ramirez, 37, married in Los Angeles in October 2008. Shortly after the couple wed, California passed Proposition 8, which limited marriages to those between a man and a woman. The same-sex marriages are now on appeal and remain valid there, though the state is not granting new ones, Nechman said.

Ramirez said he would have loved to sponsor Gonzalez for a green card, but federal law forbids the government from accepting such applications from same-sex spouses. While Gonzalez sat in the closed courtroom, Ramirez waited outside, worried that his husband would end up one step closer to deportation. □

Delta planes collide at Boston airport

BOSTON (AP) — The wing of an Amsterdam-bound Delta jet has clipped the tail of an aircraft that provides regional air service for the carrier while both planes were on the runway in Boston.

Boston Logan International Airport spokesman Phil Orlandella says one person is complaining of neck pain after a Delta Boeing 767 jet hit the other plane Thursday evening.

There were no other injuries.

Delta spokesman Trebor Banstetter says

the wing from Delta Flight 266 from Boston to Amsterdam hit the vertical stabilizer of Atlantic Southeast Airlines Flight 4904, also on departure from Boston to Raleigh-Durham.

The Delta jet returned to the gate and ASA passengers were transported by bus to the terminal.

Atlanta-based Delta says both aircraft have been removed from service for inspections. Passengers are being put on other planes. □

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Pentagon: Hacked again!

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WASHINGTON – The Defense Department suffered one of its worst digital attacks in history in March, when a foreign intelligence service hacked into the computer system of a corporate contractor and obtained 24,000 Pentagon files during a single intrusion, senior officials said Thursday.

The disclosure came as the Pentagon released a strategy for military operations in cyberspace, embodying a belief that traditional passive programs for defending military and associated corporate data systems are insufficient in an era when espionage, crime, disruptions and outright attacks are increasingly carried out over the Internet.

In releasing the strategy, William J. Lynn III, the deputy defense secretary, disclosed that over the years crucial files stolen from defense and industry data networks have included plans for missile tracking systems, satellite navigation devices, surveillance drones and top-of-the-line jet fighters.

"A great deal of it concerns our most sensitive systems, including aircraft avionics, surveillance technologies, satellite communications systems and network security protocols," Lynn said.

Officials declined to identify the military contractor whose data system was compromised in the March attack. They also refused to name the nation they suspected was the culprit, saying that any accusation was a matter of official, and perhaps confidential, diplomatic dialogue. □

Wall Street lobbyist plays pivotal role in Washington

WASHINGTON – An unexpected voice dominated a closed-door meeting a few months ago on Capitol Hill, where senior Senate aides were discussing the financial regulatory overhaul adopted last summer.

It was not a lawmaker, or even a congressional staff member. It was a Wall Street lobbyist.

Within minutes of arriving, Steve Bartlett, the head of a group representing 100 of the nation's largest financial institutions, was deriding a proposal aimed at limiting the fees that banks charge retail stores on debit card purchases.

Bartlett, wearing ostrich leather cowboy boots, barked orders to surprised congressional staff members, urging them to delay the rule, according to two people who attended. He acted like someone running the meeting, they said, rather than like an invited guest.

Though little known outside Washington and Wall Street, Bartlett has played a pivotal role with other lobbyists in their fierce and frenetic behind-the-scenes effort that has successfully delayed or watered down many of the major regulatory changes passed by Congress after the financial collapse.

Wall Street has spared little expense, spending nearly \$52 million to woo Washington in the first three months of the year, up 10 percent from the previous quarter, according to the Center for Responsive Politics. Bartlett's organization, the deep-pocketed Financial Services Roundtable, itself spent \$2.5 million in that period, more than any

organization focused primarily on the Dodd-Frank regulatory overhaul law,

group. But "they're right back to spouting the same line." Ted Kaufman, the



Steve Bartlett, chief of the Financial Services Roundtable, in his office on Washington, May 31, 2011. Bartlett, by turns charming or aggressive, has deployed \$2.5 million of the group's cash to gain a sympathetic ear in Washington.

(Daniel Rosenbaum/The New York Times)

including Goldman Sachs and JPMorgan Chase.

Bartlett is unapologetic. As in the case of the meeting with top Senate staff members, Bartlett says he is willing to be aggressive to protect the industry's profits from overly harsh rules.

By his reckoning, Wall Street is not trying to dismantle the financial regulation enacted under the Dodd-Frank Act a year ago this month. Rather, as he explained with his Texas twang, "We are trying to reform the reform." That is not how critics of Wall Street see it.

After being saved by government largess, they say, big banks have moved to thwart reforms aimed at preventing future crises caused by excessive risk-taking.

Wall Street "should have learned that these practices threatened the global economy," said Barbara Roper, director of investor protection for the Consumer Federation of America, an advocacy

Dodd-Frank, lamented Wall Street's heavy spending in Washington, saying, "this is the most uneven battle since Little Big Horn."

While Wall Street has lost a few skirmishes, the industry has gotten much of what it wanted.

In late June, the Federal Reserve softened the cuts to debit card fees, saving the industry billions of dollars a year.

Bartlett's group and other lobbying firms also pressed regulators to put off new derivatives regulations for up to six months, after the Treasury Department moved to excuse some of the complex securities from oversight altogether.

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As Latino population rises, political maps are redrawn

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LAS VEGAS – The population of Latinos has exploded here, and they want their voices heard not just in the halls of schools like Clark High or on the growing number of Spanish-language radio stations, but also with a louder voice in Congress.

The swelling ranks of Latinos here are a big reason Nevada will win a new seat in Washington.

And so, as part of the once-a-decade redistricting process, leaders here are sketching out a new congressional district that would give Latino neighborhoods more sway over their representative in Washington.

But that simple goal is turning out to be anything but. Efforts are complicated by the many different ways people interpret laws governing redistricting.

Politicians are also using the redistricting battles to advance their own agendas – ones that often have nothing to do with the Latino population.

Now, Nevada's new congressional map is in the hands of a judge, who on Tuesday announced plans

mean for Democratic candidates? For Republican candidates? For the ethnic makeup of the state's other

puts us in a very pivotal position," said Andres Ramirez, a political consultant and part of a Nevada Latino Redistricting Coalition, which has drawn its own map – a very different one from that proposed by the state's Republicans, but also different from the ones offered by the Democrats.

"Latinos have become the political football this year," Ramirez said.

The remarkable growth of Latinos nationwide – they accounted for more than half the nation's population jump over the last 10 years and they now make up more than 16 percent of the population – means that similar political calculations, debates and legal considerations are playing out across the country, much as they did in decades past with the shifting population of African-Americans.

Political parties are keenly aware of the stakes. In the last presidential election, surveys showed that Latino voters leaned toward the Democratic Party, which hopes to hold onto this increasingly powerful bloc, even as Republicans in some places are working hard to woo them over to their side.

The issue is center stage as maps are being drawn in states with large Latino populations like Arizona, California, Florida, Illinois and Texas. But it also is

playing a role at the local level elsewhere, in political maps for state legislatures, town councils, and even school boards.

In Philadelphia, for example, leaders are pushing for state House and city council districts with majority Latino populations.

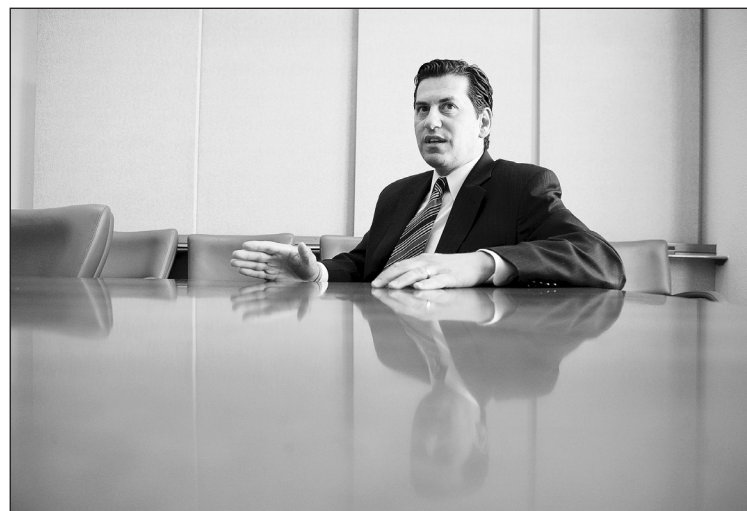
In Milwaukee, a coalition has called for several aldermanic districts with significant numbers of Latino residents.

Similar struggles are expected in the South, in states like North Carolina and Georgia, where the Latino population surged in the last 10 years.

"This is a watershed moment," Thomas A. Saenz, president and general counsel for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, said of Latinos' potential role this year in the redrawing of political lines.

Still, Saenz said, the verdict will not be in on how much political force Latinos will gain until skirmishes like the one now playing out in Nevada's courts are settled. "What we know for sure is that getting control of districts to which you are entitled means someone else relinquishing political power," he said. "And that's the rub."

With deadlines approaching to finish the new maps before next year's elections, battles are heating up around the country. □



Alex Garza, a member of Hispanics for Fair Representation, during an interview in Henderson, Nev., June 28, 2011. The swelling ranks of Latinos are a big reason Nevada will win a new seat in Washington, and leaders are sketching out a new Congressional district that would give Latino neighborhoods more sway over their representative in Washington.

(Ronda Churchill/The New York Times)

to appoint a panel of special masters to tackle the matter, after party leaders here clashed over vexing questions.

How many of the residents of a new district should be Latino? What will it all

three congressional districts? For individual incumbents?

"There is consensus about one thing – that one of these districts is going to give the best opportunity yet for Latinos to elect a candidate of their choice, and that

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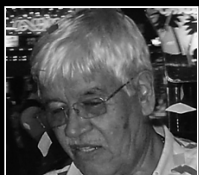


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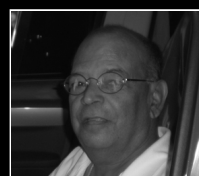


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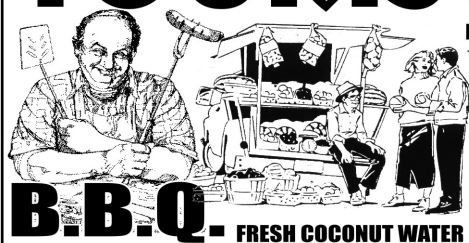
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Venezuela's Chavez creates agency to watch prices

IAN JAMES

Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)

— Ailing Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez capped a busy Thursday full of pronouncements and speeches by signing a decree that creates a new state authority to oversee prices.

The action aims to attack one of the biggest challenges facing the oil-exporting country: annual inflation hovering near 24 percent that is the highest in Latin America. Chavez also rallied supporters and expressed confidence that he will survive cancer, a day after saying he expects to eventually undergo chemotherapy or radiation treatment.

"I'm facing one of the biggest battles of my life," Chavez told the crowd in

a downtown Caracas plaza. "With the grace of God we will also win it."

The newspaper Estado de S. Paulo in Brazil reported on its website Thursday night that Chavez would seek treatment at Hospital Sirio Libanes, a facility in Sao Paulo known as one of the best hospitals for cancer treatment in Latin America. The newspaper did not cite its sources for the report, and there was no immediate comment from the Venezuelan government. Presidents Dilma Rousseff of Brazil and Fernando Lugo of Paraguay have both been treated for cancers at Sirio Libanes. Lugo underwent treatment last year and Rousseff in 2009 when she was

not yet Brazil's president. Rousseff last week offered Chavez the help of Brazil-

of costs and prices" that he said will prevent businesses from overcharging

sic food products, ranging from milk to sugar to beef. It wasn't immediately clear what additional steps the new agency will take.

During his outdoor appearance Thursday, Chavez rallied hundreds of supporters in a plaza where he sang along with live music and pledged an "eternal revolution" despite his recent cancer diagnosis.

The 56-year-old leader underwent surgery in Cuba on June 20 to remove a cancerous tumor from his pelvic region.

Despite his health problems, Chavez projected the image of a chief executive control Thursday by speaking for 109 minutes during the Cabinet meeting.

Chavez touched on a range of subjects, including vowing to accelerate his government's socialist-inspired Bolivarian Revolution.

"Socialism or nothing," Chavez told his ministers while saying his government is moving ahead with "revolutionary laws." Chavez also condemned NATO airstrikes in Libya and expressed support for the North Africa nation's embattled leader, Moammar Gadhafi. "Gadhafi sent a message," Chavez said, without specifying what the Libyan leader told him or when the message was sent. "Gadhafi is there resisting. How long will this outrage go on?"

"It's a heroic and free nation, and its government responds to Libya, not to the interests of the empire, not the old ones nor the new empires," Chavez said, referring to the United States and European countries that have participated in the airstrikes. "Long live Libya and its independence! ... Courage, Gadhafi. Courage, Libya," Chavez said. "They're challenging the murderous bombs of NATO." □



In this photo provided by Miraflores Presidential Press Office, Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez raises Venezuela's flag during a ceremony commemorating Venezuela's bicentennial in Bolivar square in Caracas, Venezuela, Thursday July 14, 2011. Ailing Chavez rallied hundreds of supporters, singing folk songs and calling cancer one of his life's greatest battles. Chavez has been limiting his public appearances since returning to Venezuela on July 4, two weeks after undergoing surgery in Cuba to remove a cancerous tumor from his pelvic region.

(AP Photo/Miraflores Presidential Office)

ian doctors for his cancer treatment, telling him in a phone conversation that Brazilian specialists could be sent to Venezuela or he could come to Brazil.

Chavez did not give details about his cancer treatment in a televised Cabinet meeting Thursday, instead focusing on domestic affairs.

He signed a decree to create a new "national system

Venezuelans and ensure "fair prices."

"Speculation should end," Chavez said. Chavez enacted the decree, among others, by using special legislative powers granted by his congressional allies in December that allow him to enact laws on his own for 18 months. The government already maintains price controls on many ba-

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Antiaircraft missiles on the loose in Libya

C.J. CHIVERS

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EL GA'A, Libya – Five months after the armed uprising erupted in Libya, a fresh round of portable anti-aircraft missiles – weapons that governments fear could be obtained by terrorists and then fired at civilian jetliners – has been slipping from storage bunkers captured by rebels.

In February, in the early stages of the uprising, large numbers of the missiles slipped from the Gadhafi government's control as the rebels established control over eastern Libya and the ammunition depots there. The leakage resumed recently with rebel gains here in the western mountains, which opened up new ammunition stores.

The new leakage of the missiles, which are of the same type that officials in other African nations have said have already been trafficked over Libya's borders, underscores the organizational weakness of the forces opposed to Moammar Gadhafi and raises concerns that if more Gadhafi depots fall to the rebels then further stocks of the weapons could become accessible to black markets.

Signs of the diversion are readily visible here, at an ammunition depot captured late last month from the Gadhafi forces, after repeated NATO bombings.

On a recent day, 43 emptied wooden crates, long, thin and painted in dark green, had been left behind on the sand inside the entrance. The boxes had not been there during a visit to the same spot a few days before, and the weapons were gone.

The stenciled markings showed that each crate had contained a pair of

lightweight missiles called SA-7s – early Soviet versions of the same class of weapon as the better

any missiles, they meant to use them in battle, and that they suspect soldiers in the Gadhafi military of sell-



A rebel fighter handles a Soviet-era SA-7 surface to air missile at a checkpoint on the road to the arms depot in Ga'a, Libya, July 8, 2011. Five months after the armed uprising erupted in Libya, a fresh round of portable anti-aircraft missiles -- weapons that governments fear could be obtained by terrorists and then fired at civilian jetliners -- have been slipping from storage bunkers captured by rebels.

(Bryan Denton/The New York Times)

known U.S.-made Stingers, which were used by Afghan fighters against the Soviets in Afghanistan. It was not clear who had taken them. The rebel guards variously blamed Gadhafi forces and misinformed opposition fighters. During more than four decades in power, Gadhafi's often bellicose government is thought to have acquired as many as 20,000 of these missiles, known as Manpads, for Man-Portable Air-Defense Systems, in arms deals with the former Eastern bloc.

Many are assumed to remain in the Gadhafi military's custody, U.S. officials say, and others have been fired in the conflict, meaning that the number loose is most likely much smaller than the original stock. There has been no publicly available evidence that Libya's rebels are directly involved in missile trafficking. Rebel leaders say that if their fighters have taken

ing and smuggling these kinds of arms.

But U.S. officials and Western security analysts said there are grave worries that once the weapons inherited by rebels have been made accessible and reach unsupervised hands, opportunistic smugglers can match them to potential buyers.

Andrew J. Shapiro, assistant secretary of state for political-military affairs, described the unsecured missiles as "one of the things that keep me up at night." Two other U.S. officials, speaking anonymously so as not to upset diplomatic relations with the rebels, said that after the initial leakage of the SA-7s, the U.S. government repeatedly asked the National

Transitional Council, the de facto rebel authority, to collect and secure the missiles and to prevent more missiles from getting loose. When the depot here at El Ga'a fell, however, those requests appeared to have had little effect.

"The rebels came from all over the western mountains, and they just took what they wanted," said Riyadh, a supervisor of the ruined arsenal's small contingent of rebel guards.

The United States is giving \$1.5 million to two international organizations – the Mines Advisory Group from Britain and the Swiss Foundation for Mine Action – that it hopes can help secure the stockpiles and prevent more missiles from slipping out. □

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Iraq and U.S. tiptoe around a deadline

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BAGHDAD – The government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki is privately telling U.S. officials that it wants their army to stay here after this year. The Americans are privately telling their Iraqi counterparts that they want to stay. But under what conditions, and at what price to the Americans who stay behind? U.S. combat deaths are on the rise here, an ominous harbinger of what lies ahead if an agreement is reached to keep troops here after the withdrawal deadline set for the end of the year. For the same Iraqi government that wants the Americans to stay is also tacitly condoning attacks by Shiite militias on U.S. troops, by failing to respond as aggressively to their attacks as it does to those of Sunni insurgent groups such as al-Qaida in Iraq. The al-Maliki government's unwillingness or inability to

rein in the militias adds a new element to a discussion that until now had been centered on the capabilities of the Iraqi security forces and domestic political considerations in Washington and Baghdad, not the safety of U.S. soldiers. Lately, U.S. officials have been vocal in levying accusations at Iran for arming the militias that are attacking U.S. forces, but less vocal in denouncing the Iraqi government's complicity. "Iran is very directly supporting extremist Shia groups which are killing our troops," Adm. Mike Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff told reporters recently in Washington. He said any discussion with the Iraqi government to keep a force here next year "has to be done in conjunction with control of Iran in that regard." On Monday, during his first visit to Iraq as secretary of defense, Leon E. Panetta also raised the alarm, and suggested that the Iraqi

government could do more. Recently, the Iraqi army conducted an operation in southern Iraq, the country's



Supporters of Muqtada al-Sadr burn American flags while participating in protests on the anniversary of the fall of Baghdad in 2003, at Mustansiriyah University Square in Baghdad on April 9, 2011. American combat deaths are on the rise in Iraq as the withdrawal deadline set for the end of the year approaches, but the same Iraqi government that wants the U.S. to stay is also condoning attacks by Shiite militias on U.S. troops, by failing to respond as aggressively to their attacks as it does to those of Sunni insurgent groups such as al-Qaida in Iraq.
(Ayman Oghanna/The New York Times)

Shiite heartland, against the militias. But the campaign fizzled with no major arrests,

and no significant impact on the militant networks. In a recent interview, Maj. Gen. Jeffrey S. Buchanan, the top military spokesman

in Iraq, admitted as much. "I think the overall effect has been just one of disrup-

tion," he said. "They have temporarily disrupted some of the networks, they have not defeated any." Buchanan said the Iraqi forces began the operations, which took place in Maysan province and Basra, with a list of "high value targets." But he says they arrested few of the men they were looking for. The arrests that were made, he said, were, "low-hanging fruit." When asked if the Iraqi government is doing enough to restrain the groups killing Americans he said, "I think that they can certainly do more." The unequal response by the Iraqi security forces to the threats from Sunni and Shiite insurgent groups is a legacy of the sectarianism that was violently unleashed by the U.S. invasion eight years ago. That upended the Sunnis' long reign and installed a government dominated by Shiites nursing grudges against their former oppressors that persist to this day. □

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In post-Soviet region, protests take a subtle turn

ELLEN BARRY

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MINSK, Belarus – At the time appointed for Wednesday evening's anti-government protest here in the capital of Belarus, scores of burly plainclothes officers were waiting in Yakub Kolas Square. Their job was to prevent it from happening. But it was difficult for them to know who, among the skateboarders, young urban professionals and stolid-looking grandmothers, was taking part. The park benches filled up, and then the stone curbs, but the activists – following instructions posted on an Internet site – were not actually doing anything. At 8 p.m., their phones buzzed or beeped or played music.

That was the whole protest. Plainclothes officers with camcorders meticulously filmed the face of every person in the park and forced a few demonstrators, struggling and shouting, into buses. But the sixth of the weekly "clapping protests" had eliminated clapping, which presented both the police and activists with some tough questions.

Can you really detain people because their phones are beeping?

And when you cannot tell who is protesting, is it still a protest? Street politics have lost their relevance in many former Soviet countries, as the political opposition has withered away. But innovative forms of protest are popping up. None of them has managed to mobilize large numbers or pose any real threat to the ruling elites. They do, however, attract young people in free-

form, often social-media-directed alternatives to the

who address such nonsexy issues as pension reform by

year prison sentences on the so-called donkey blog-

gers, or when Russian authorities prosecuted Voina, a radical art collective best known for painting a 210-foot penis on a St. Petersburg drawbridge.

Belarus has opted to take a hard line. About 1,830 people have been detained by the police since June, when a small group of activists living in exile initiated the clapping protests, said Tatyana Revyako, who works for Vyasna, a human rights group. Upward of 500 people have received sentences of five to 15 days, she said.

The crackdown has generated a good deal of absurdity. As Belarus' July 3 Independence Day holiday approached, the Minsk police chief, Igor Yevseyev, called a news conference and announced that citizens would not be punished for applauding soldiers or veterans. □



People gather during a silent protest in Minsk, Belarus, July 13, 2011. Innovative forms of protest are attracting young people in free form, often social media-directed alternatives to the picketing and chants their elders employ, and they are proving very difficult to punish.

(Andrei Liankevich/The New York Times)

picketing and chants their elders employ. And the participants are proving very difficult to punish.

Russia has the "blue buckets," activists who affix plastic sand toys to their cars (or their heads) in a protest against the traffic privileges accorded to government officials, whose cars are equipped with flashing blue lights. In Azerbaijan, where protesters are hustled away so quickly that even gathering is nearly impossible, small flash mobs have appeared out of nowhere to perform sword fights or folk dances.

The more permissive political atmosphere of Ukraine has spawned Femen, a group of young women

baring their breasts in public. A woman was arrested in April for walking up to a World War II memorial in Kiev, Ukraine's capital, and frying eggs and sausages over the eternal flame. Social scientists refer to these as "dilemma actions," because they force the authorities to choose between two equally distasteful alternatives: to stand back and allow such activities to continue, taking the risk that they will build into something significant; or to impose harsh punishment on people who are engaged in a seemingly benign activity.

The latter route can result in a public backlash, as when Azerbaijan imposed two-

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Civil War markers show neglected moments in war

RAY HENRY

Associated Press

DALTON, Georgia (AP) — Badly outnumbered by Union forces and sensing looming defeat in the Civil War, Confederate Maj. Gen. Patrick Cleburne made a shocking proposal about a century and a half ago: the Southern government should free black slaves willing to fight in rebel ranks.

“As between the loss of independence and the loss

very different way," said W. Todd Groce, president of the Georgia Historical Society, which is leading the effort to erect new markers. "The Civil War meant something different to them than it does to us."

Contemporary politics have long shaped how Civil War history is interpreted. Discussing racially charged history was unlikely in the Deep South during the war's centennial in 1961, the same year whites rioted

commander removed temporary bridges spanning a creek. Another marker near the boundary with Tennessee points out a battlefield where black soldiers fighting for the Union saw combat in Georgia. The fighting occurred near what is now an elementary school.

"A lot of blacks here had gone to that school, they walked through that school on their way downtown never knowing that black troops fought there," said Curtis Rivers Jr., director of The Emory Center, a museum in Dalton showcasing African-American history. Historians earlier this year marked the spot where Union Maj. Gen. William Sherman's forces lit fires that burned parts of Atlanta, a symbolic beginning-of-the-end for the Confederacy.

Sherman then marched his army from Atlanta to the Georgia seacoast on a mission that signaled the Confederacy was nearing collapse.

The marker program has won an award for merit from The American Association for State and Local History. Bethany Hawkins, the group's program associate, was unaware of other similar programs, though some states are just beginning projects timed for the war's sesquicentennial.

A few critics have emerged. The NAACP, the civil rights group, initially asked that one marker commemorating the burning of Atlanta be moved away from a road named for the slain civil rights leader, Martin Luther King Jr. Other black leaders said the plaque should stay since Sherman's arrival meant the collapse of the Confederacy and the end of slavery in the city.

Project leaders discussed the wording of plaques with the Georgia chapter of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. State commander Jack Bridwell said he has not raised any objections and hopes the project will spur public interest in the war on the 150th anniversary. □

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Wall Street lobbyist

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission, according to one of its officials, is even reconsidering plans to curb banks' control over derivatives, once seen as a cornerstone of Dodd-Frank. Bartlett, a former congressman who earns about \$2 million a year as the roundtable's chief executive, has helped lead the charge. As regulators put the finishing touches on nearly 300 new rules, he is glad-handing government officials, uniting financial firms and alternately charming or haranguing to make Wall Street's case.

At one point in the battle over the debit card fees, he said, he urged the Republican head of the House subcommittee that oversees banking to do her duty as chairwoman by introducing legislation to delay any changes. A few weeks later, he visited his friend, Rep. Barney Frank, the Massachusetts Democrat who co-authored the overhaul law, to get support for the delay.

In recent months, Bartlett's team has gone into high gear, sending regulators some 100 letters proposing changes to soften the Dodd-Frank rules and holding dozens of meetings with lawmakers and regulators, including the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and other federal agencies.

In February, the roundtable sponsored "Financial Services University," a two-day conference for congressional staff members, where "visiting professors" gave presentations on Dodd-Frank. A top executive at Visa, the credit card giant, addressed new caps on debit card fees, according to a copy of the agenda. The associate general counsel for Bank of America discussed new mortgage regulations.

Bartlett, 63, called the event educational. "We are not here to lobby," he told roughly 200 attendees. "We're here to tell you

what the facts are, and we think you'll ultimately agree with us." The roundtable has taken a similarly direct approach with regulators. In a letter to the SEC, it asked the agency to reward whistle-blowers who report fraud internally before going to the government, urging that it "must be a specific factor in determining the amount of any award." The language bore a striking resemblance to the SEC's description of the final regulation, which said working with internal compliance departments was "a factor that can increase the amount of an award." Bartlett, a lifelong conservative who met his wife at a Young Republicans bake sale in high school, has spearheaded several deregulation efforts over a three-decade career as a lawmaker and a lobbyist. A member of the House banking committee in the 1980s, he led the successful push to let the market set interest rates on government-insured mortgages. He also supported legislation that allowed banks to invest in private mortgage-backed securities, the investments that eventually helped feed the real estate bubble. After serving as mayor of Dallas, Bartlett landed the top spot at the roundtable in 1999. He said he had been hired in part to secure passage of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, which repealed some of the Glass-Steagall restrictions on banks set after the Great Depression. The law, signed in 1999, allowed investment banks and commercial banks to merge, creating the Wall Street powerhouses that eventually proved too big to fail during the crisis. Bartlett's Dodd-Frank efforts began in earnest June 25 of last year. While a congressional committee worked out the final details of the legislation, Bartlett's chief lobbyist, Scott Talbott, sent regular emails on the "gory details" of the all-night session. Around 5:40 a.m., Talbott signed off with a final, terse message: "It's done," which Bartlett read on his iPhone a few minutes later at his suburban Virginia home. □



Michael Thurmond, left, and Dr. W. Todd Groce reveal the Historical Marker at the Cook-Huff House in Dalton, Ga. titled "General Cleburne's Proposal to Arm Slaves" Thursday morning, July 14, 2011, as former Dalton State College president Jim Burran, right, looks on. The marker commemorates Confederate Maj. Gen Patrick Cleburne's 1864 proposal that the Southern government free black slaves willing to fight in rebel ranks.

AP Photo/The Daily Citizen, Matt Hamilton)

of slavery, we assume that every patriot will freely give up the latter — give up the negro slave rather than be a slave himself," Cleburne wrote in his Jan. 2, 1864 letter, also signed by other officers. His proposal — sharply rejected by Confederate leaders committed to slavery — was commemorated Thursday with the dedication of a new historical marker installed near the Confederate Army headquarters in north Georgia where Cleburne publicly floated the idea.

It's one of roughly a dozen new markers being erected across Georgia for the sesquicentennial of the Civil War that focus on the often-ignored history of groups such as blacks, women and Union loyalists.

"Our grandparents would have looked at this in a

at the University of Georgia when two black students arrived on campus. The latest plaques attempt to present a more inclusive view of history as the nation commemorates the 150th anniversary of the war.

"Fifty years ago, a biracial gathering like this on a topic like this would have been impossible and unheard of," Groce told a racially mixed crowd that gathered for the unveiling ceremony in Dalton, a northwest Georgia city.

Other recently installed plaques mark the spot in Columbus, Ga., where women armed with knives and pistols rioted over wartime food shortages and a spot near Savannah where hundreds of freed slaves who were following the Union Army for protection drowned because the



Theater Show about Prince Claus comes to Aruba

ORANJESTAD - The Julius Leefft! Foundation (Julius Lives!) brings the musical about Prince Claus to Aruba. Claus von Amsberg, deceased in 2002, was the husband of Queen Beatrix and Prince of the Netherlands. As part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Prince Claus was an important part of our heritage and therefore Aruba is proud to welcome the cast, crew and production of theater show Claus. After the successful one time show in Royal Theatre Carré, the Netherlands, the Julius Leefft! Foundation decided to bring the show about the remarkable prince to Aruba. The Dutch cast and crew, combined with local talents will perform from July 18th till July 20th. John Leerdam, initiator of the Julius Leefft! Foundation and director of theater show Claus created the show in 2009. The cast included politicians, celebrities and professional artists. Queen Beatrix and her son Prince Constantijn and Princess Laurentien were present at this première.

The show depicts the life of Prince Claus, but also narrates about humanity, hope, disappointments and the search for love. The story is about the prince's relationship with Africa, the Dutch Antilles and Suriname and indeed about his relationship with Queen Beatrix. Aruba invited the Dutch cast and crew to join as part of the celebrations for the 25th anniversary of Aruba's Status Aparte. In addition to the theater show, the Julius Leefft! Foundation is also organizing a benefit concert. The main aim of the concert is to raise money for projects which educate the youth on culture.

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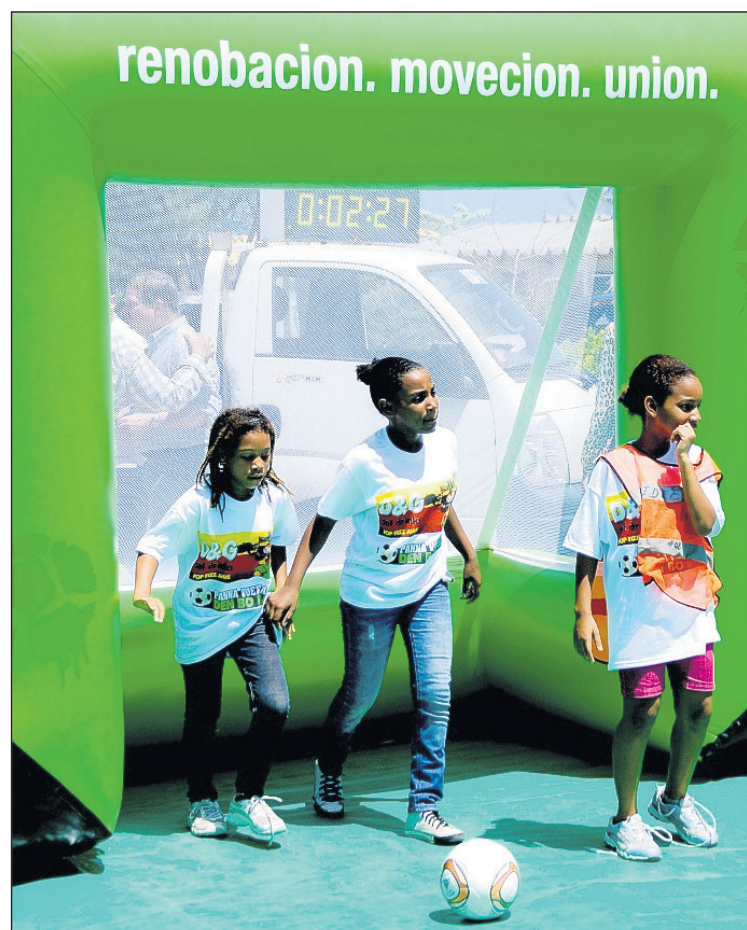
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ORANJESTAD – This weekend, the Pannabol games will continue in downtown Oranjestad and in Savaneta after being inaugurated recently in Noord. Prime Minister Mike Eman, Minister of Health and Sports Richard Visser together with Parliament Members Juan

David Yrausquin, Alex Tromp and President of Parliament Paul Croes participated in inauguration. A large group of enthusiasts will join in this weekend. On Saturday the event will start at 2 pm at the Mercurius Field near the Don Elias



Mansur Ball Park. Everyone is invited to cheer for your favorite team. On Sunday, Pannabol will be played in Savaneta on

the parking lot of the Kong Fui. The game will start at 10 am and the entire neighborhood will be there! The Pannabol program is

part of the BoBario activities including gardening, painting public housing, placing lights, fixing streets, and other community projects. □

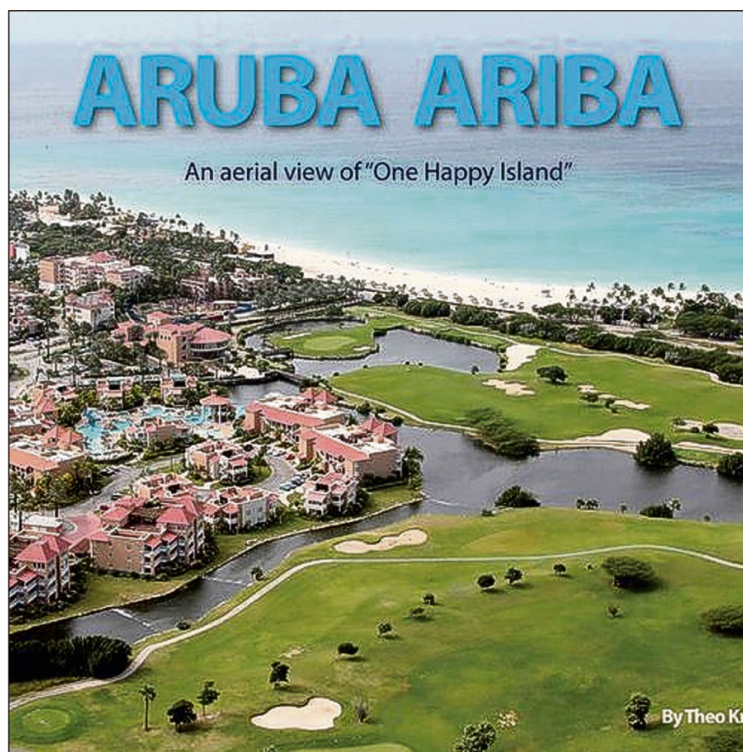


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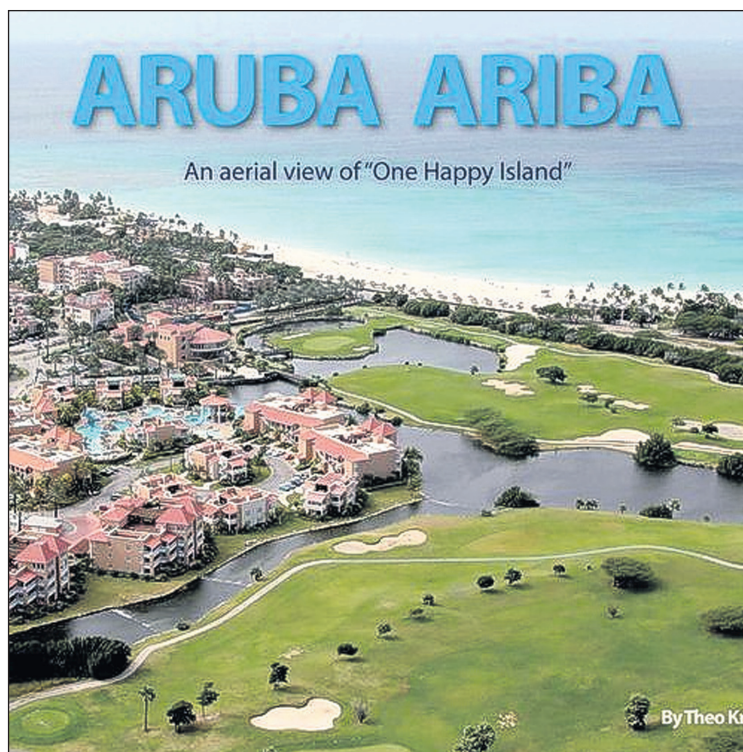
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As Curaçao flexes its muscle,

Aruba takes on Puerto Rico in Semis today

ST. THOMAS - Move over, Puerto Rico; there's another team at the 2011 Caribbean Regional Little League Tournament that's also undefeated.

Based on the swagger Sherten Apostel showed as he slowly trotted around the bases after he crushed a solo home run to center field, Curaçao has proven its offensive prowess.

Apostel went yard in the third inning, while Jerson Dometilia added two home runs of his own to lead Curaçao to a commanding 23-0 victory over the Cayman Islands at Alvin McBean Ballpark on Wednesday. The game ended after the fourth inning because of the tournament's slaughter rule. Curaçao finished pool play with a 4-0 record

and will meet the U.S. Virgin Islands (3-1) in the semifinals Friday at 8 p.m. at Emile Griffith Ballpark.

"I saw the pitch I liked, and as soon as I hit it, I knew it was out," said Apostel, who went 2-for-3 with four RBI in the game.

Curaçao had already opened a double-digit lead before Apostel stepped to the plate in the third inning. The offensive surge was sparked by Dometilia, who belted two home runs in as many plate appearances and drove in six runs.

"Jerson is a powerful hitter," said Curaçao coach Pury Geertruida, whose team finished with 13 hits. "He's little, but very strong. Sherten is also a good hitter. Three home runs in one game? We like that."



Curaçao pitcher Bryan Biegel fires a pitch during Curaçao's 23-0 win over the Cayman Islands at Alvin McBean Ballpark on Wednesday. Biegel struck out five and threw two innings of no-hit baseball.

Dometilia and Draydon Evelina are the only players back from the Curaçao team that dropped its first two games in the 2010 Caribbean Region tourney and did not advance to the tournament championship. Before last year - Puerto Rico won in 2010 - Curaçao had won nine straight Caribbean titles and even won the Little League World Series in 2004.

"We expected to go 4-0 and we expect to play in the championship," Geertruida said.

Curaçao starting pitcher Bryan Biegel and reliever Ruendy Carolina combined for the no-hitter and struck out nine batters. The pair did not allow a single walk, threw only 42 pitches and retired the Cayman Islands' batters in order in all four innings.

Albertini Holness of the Cayman Islands (1-3) was the only player on his team not to strike out. He also started the game on the mound and gave up 13 runs in the first inning, but only four were earned.

Puerto Rico 15, Dominican Republic 8

Juaier Rodriguez tallied two hits, two RBI and scored twice to lift Puerto Rico to a 15-8 win over the Do-

minican Republic at Griffith Ballpark on Wednesday. Puerto Rico, the defending tournament champion, improved to 4-0 and will meet Aruba (3-1) in the semifinals Friday at 5 p.m.

Juan De Jesus drove in three runs for Puerto Rico, while Kelvin Escobar was walked three times and scored twice. Oscar Figueroa, Nelson Oliveras and Walberto Rivera shared pitching duties for Puerto Rico and the trio combined for eight strikeouts.

The Dominican Republic (2-2) actually had seven more hits than Puerto Rico. Juan Urena, Alejandro Sandoual and Rafioby Urena drove in two runs apiece, while Sandoual was the losing pitcher.

St. Croix 12, Antigua 1

Fernando Joseph clubbed a home run and Rahkeem Swanston had three hits in three plate appearances to lift St. Croix to a 12-1 win over Antigua on Wednesday at McBean Ballpark. St. Croix finished the tourney with a 1-3 record, while Antigua went winless. Kyle JnBaptiste pitched five solid innings for St. Croix and tallied eight strikeouts while giving up five hits and one earned run. Joseph and Marquise Christian each finished with two hits apiece. Joseph and Adanskee Henry Jr. had two RBI apiece. Adonys Jimenez and Gregory Geller tallied two hits each to pace Antigua. Information on the St. Thomas-St. Maarten game was not available at press time. □



Curaçao's Sherten Apostel is congratulated by his coach and teammates at home plate after he belted a solo home run in the third inning.

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Amateur Tom Lewis tied atop British with 65

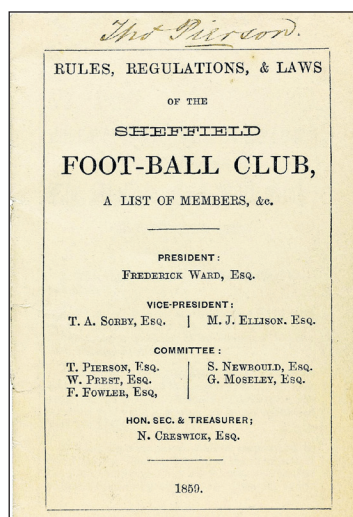
England's Tom Lewis hits a shot from the 14th tee as Tom Watson of the U.S. looks on during the first day of the British Open Golf Championship at Royal St George's golf course Sandwich, England, Thursday, July 14, 2011.

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Oldest football
rule book sells
for 881,250 pounds



In this undated photo made available by Sotheby's Auction House on Thursday, July 14, 2011, a page from Sheffield Football Club's rule book, on display in London.

Associated Press

STUART CONDIE

LONDON (AP) — While English Premier League clubs splash their cash on high-profile players in the offseason transfer window, one buyer has spent almost a million pounds on a veteran of world football. The sport's oldest rule book, dating from 1857, was sold at auction in London on Thursday for 881,250 pounds (\$1.42 million). The handwritten pamphlet was sold to a telephone bidder at Sotheby's auction house as part of an archive of Sheffield FC, the world's oldest football club. Sheffield FC sold the 154-year-old document to raise money for the amateur club, which plays seven tiers below the Premier League. "There was huge international interest, reflecting the truly global appeal of both the game itself and its remarkable evolution," Sheffield FC chairman Richard Tims said.

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CLEMENS-Y!

Judge declares mistrial in perjury case

Former Major League Baseball pitcher Roger Clemens, right, and his attorney Rusty Hardin, arrives at federal court in Washington, Thursday, July 14, 2011, for Clemens' perjury trial.

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The Stage winner Samuel Sanchez of Spain looks back to look at his adversaries as he climbs towards Luz Ardiden during the 12th stage of the Tour de France cycling race over 131.1 miles starting in Cugnaux and finishing in Luz Ardiden, Pyrenees region, France, Thursday July 14, 2011.

JAMEY KEATEN
Associated Press

LUZ-ARDIDEN, France (AP) — Spain's Samuel Sanchez thrilled Basque fans with the stage win and France's Thomas Voeckler surprised himself by keeping the yellow jersey on Bastille Day as the Tour de France finally hit the mountains on Thursday.

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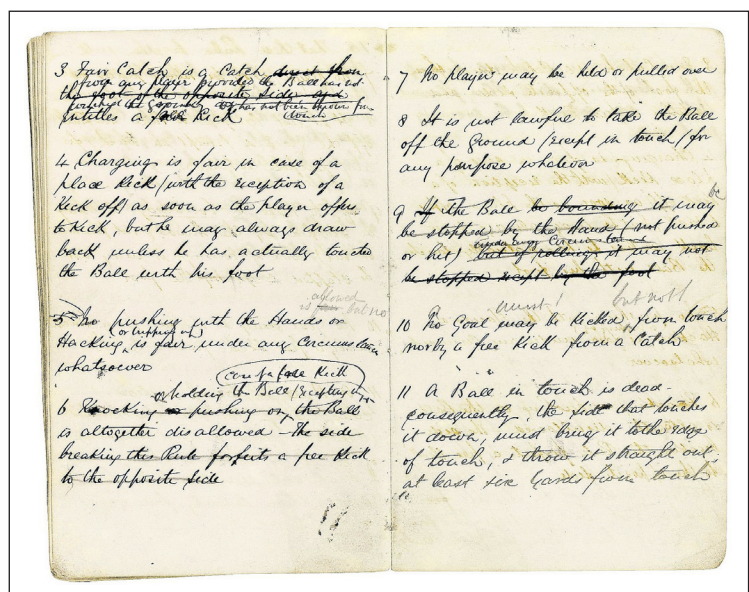
Defending champion Alberto Contador ran into trouble, if modest, on Stage 12 by losing some seconds to other race favorites on the final climb. The 131-mile trek from Cugnaux to the Luz-Ardiden ski station featured three tough climbs in the Pyrenees — including two that are among the hardest in

Sanchez wins 12th Tour stage in Pyrenees

pro cycling. After 11 stages on wind-swept flats and hills that favored sprinters and breakaway riders, Thursday's mountains were expected to separate the overall race contenders from the rest of the pack. The day's toughest climbs — the Col du Tourmalet and the uphill finish in Luz-Ardiden — offered the favorites the chance to analyze each other's climbing legs and look for signs of weakness among rivals. Sanchez and Belgian rider Jelle Vanendert overtook a group of breakaway riders in the final climb and held on, with the Spaniard winning their two-man sprint in the last few hundred meters (yards). Vanendert crossed 7 seconds later. "It's incredible," Sanchez said of his first Tour stage victory, after finishing fourth overall last year. The Euskaltel-Euskadi rider said he got extra inspiration from spectators waving the red, green and white flag of Basque country — a nearby region along the French-Spanish border. "I can't believe I won this in front of all our fans," he said. After leading a string of attacks on the other fa-

avorites, Frank Schleck of Luxembourg surged away and finished third — 10 seconds back — to vault into second place overall. Italy's Ivan Basso was fourth, Australia's Cadel Evans was fifth, and Schleck's younger brother Andy was sixth, each 30 seconds behind Sanchez. Contador came eighth, 43 seconds back. Voeckler gave the home crowd a delight on Bastille Day, clinging to the yellow jersey that he expected to lose in the punishing climbs. "I'm glad I was wrong," Voeckler said, with a smile. "It clearly wasn't expected. Keeping the jersey was far from expected as the stage started today. "You have to believe that the yellow jersey gives you a bit of added inspiration on the Bastille Day," he added. Overall, Voeckler leads Frank Schleck by 1 minute, 49 seconds, and Evans trails third, 2:06 back. Contador is seventh overall, 4 minutes behind. "I was a bit careful," the three-time Tour champion said. "I saw the Schlecks were discussing together and that they were going to play their cards. Frank was the stron-

ger — and both of them attacked. "But I'm nevertheless happy with this first mountain stage," Contador said. "Each day, I feel better ... I still don't have my best legs. I'm not riding with the same rhythm, but it's encouraging." Andy Schleck, the Leopard Trek team leader who finished runner-up to Contador last year and in 2009, sensed that the one-two punch that he dealt with his brother against the Spaniard exposed an opportunity to win. "I think today was a perfect day for us. ... For sure, this is not a decisive stage, but we showed we are here," he said. "Contador is not unbeatable — he lost more time today. "We had a discussion with Frank and we decided to attack. I attacked, Frank attacked, we played it like this. Then it was time for him to go all out," he added. "If we keep going like this, we can win." On the 17-kilometer climb up the Col du Tourmalet, a string of better-known riders — including some potential title contenders — dropped behind the pack. □



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"We are delighted with the sale of this extraordinary piece of sporting history, the proceeds of which will allow Sheffield Football Club to develop its facilities and secure its future as the home of grass roots football." The rule book contains many innovations by Sheffield FC that are still part of the modern game, such as the corner kick, crossbar and indirect free kick. Also included are many other

elements still familiar to current fans, such as throws, goal kicks and restrictions on handling the ball. Just as modern greats Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo enjoy protection from the attentions of burly opposition defenders, players in the 19th century were also shielded from the worst excesses by restrictions on fouls. But things were still a lot more physical back then. "Pushing with the hands is allowed but no hacking or tripping is fair under any circumstances whatsoever," the rule book states. □

Americans acquire Israeli football powerhouse club

JEREMY LAST
Associated Press

JERUSALEM (AP) — Two American businessmen acquired troubled Israeli Premier League side Beitar Jerusalem on Thursday. Beitar said Dan Adler and Adam Levin took over from Russian businessman Arkady Gaydamak, who bought it in 2005. The new deal was signed in London following negotiations with the participation of Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat, the team added. Beitar did not release terms of the deal, saying only that the pair would "take on the financial responsibility of the team in order to stabilize the budget and meet its obligations." Israeli sports website One reported the club had debts of about \$400,000. Formed in 1936, Beitar was one of Israel's most popular and most successful teams. It enjoyed its best period during the tenure of the deep-pocketed Gaydamak, highlighted

by league and cup championships in 2008. But when Gaydamak left the country while battling financial scandals in Israel and Europe, he cut funding to the team and it fell on hard times. It finished in 11th place this year, narrowly avoiding relegation. The team has also drawn controversy for the behavior of its fans, who are notorious for making racist chants and taunting Arab players on opposing teams. Levin is a managing director of private equity fund Criterion Capital Partners and chief executive of social media company Bebo. Adler is the founder of Media Eagles, a consulting firm in California. The team said the two businessmen are longtime supporters of Israel. "They made an investment in Beitar as a long-term investment, and they see it as a contribution to strengthen Jerusalem and Israel, rather than business investment," the club statement said. □

Amateur Tom Lewis shoots record 65, ties for lead

PAUL NEWBERRY

AP National Writer

SANDWICH, England (AP)

— Tom Lewis, named after one of the British Open's greatest champions, lived up to it on Thursday when the 20-year-old amateur shot a 5-under 65 to share the lead after the opening round.

The day was even more special because he played alongside the man he was named after: Five-time Open champion Tom Watson.

"I was more nervous not to embarrass myself in front of him," Lewis said.

No worries there. Lewis pulled off some Watson-like shots at Royal St. George's, making four straight birdies near the end before a par-saving tap-in at the 18th left him tied with Thomas Bjorn.

"He could be my grandson," quipped the 61-year-old Watson, who needed seven more strokes than his namesake to get around the course. "I just had to smile inside watching him play. I didn't play particularly well myself, but I certainly was impressed by the way he played."

Lewis' late-afternoon charge was definitely impressive, but it didn't totally overshadow an early morning round by Bjorn, who was playing at this course on the English seaside for the first time since his meltdown in the 2003 Open.

That's when he threw away a two-stroke lead in the final three holes — who can forget him needing three swings just to escape the bunker at No. 16? — and allowed Ben Curtis to snatch away the claret jug with one of the sport's most shocking upsets.

Two very different players. Two hugely compelling stories atop the leaderboard.

"I'm 40 years old," Bjorn said, "and there might just be a little bit more in me."

Long after the Dane had completed his round — he was done by lunchtime — an English amateur half his age surged up the board by taking full advantage of the afternoon calm that made this place ripe for the taking.

Lewis posted the lowest round ever for an amateur in the British Open, beating the 66 posted by Frank Stranahan in 1950 and matched by Tiger Woods (1996) and Justin Rose (1998). The youngster also became the first amateur to lead a round at a major since 1976, when Mike Reid was up by three strokes heading to the second day of the U.S. Open.

"We certainly have a new young breed out here, don't we?" Watson marveled. "We have a lot of young players playing very good golf."

An older one didn't do so badly, either.

Bjorn has struggled since the death of his father two months ago, breaking down in tears when asked what effect the loss had on him.

"He meant a lot to me," the golfer said. "He would have been very proud of what I did."

Bjorn certainly isn't dwelling on what happened eight years ago, the last time the Open was held just up the road from the cliffs of Dover.

"A lot of people make a lot of things about that, but the only way I can play golf is to concentrate on the shot in front of me," he said. "It never entered my mind." Bjorn had some good fortune at the 16th this time. He thought his 9-iron was headed for the bunker, but the ball took a fortunate bounce and rolled down toward the cup. He made the putt for his third birdie in a row.

"We all know what it's like," Bjorn said. "A bounce here or there, and then it goes either wrong or right. Today, it went my way."

U.S. Open champion Rory McIlroy got off to a sluggish start but was still in contention, putting up a 71 that left him six strokes back.

Considering he played in the morning, when conditions were tougher, McIlroy had no complaints about a round that began with a pair of bogeys on the first three holes.

"It was a day where you just needed to grind out a score," McIlroy said. "Any-

where around even par was a good start."

In the afternoon, the gusting breezes off the Strait of Dover died down and the rain held off, resulting in about twice as many rounds in the 60s as the morning starters put up.

But there were plenty of red numbers all over the board. Lucas Glover, Miguel Angel Jimenez and Webb Simpson were just one stroke off the lead. Eight players shot 68, ranging from major winners Graeme McDowell and Martin Kaymer to alternates Ricky Barnes and Simon Dyson.

Bjorn was an alternate, getting in only one day of practice after learning on Monday night he had a spot because of Vijay Singh's withdrawal. The group at 68 also included Kyle Stanley, who hustled over on an overnight flight for his first Open after qualifying on Sunday with a runner-up finish in the John Deere Classic. □



Denmark's Thomas Bjorn reacts after missing a putt on the 18th green during the first day of the British Open Golf Championship at Royal St George's golf course Sandwich, England, Thursday, July 14, 2011.

Associated Press

Sources: NFL players, owners making progress

By HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Pro Football Writer |

NEW YORK (AP) — Making significant progress on one of the major sticking points in NFL labor talks, owners and players neared agreement Thursday on how to rein in the soaring salaries of high first-round draft picks, people familiar with the negotiations said.

Another person with knowledge of the discussions told The Associated Press that Thursday's 12-hour-plus meeting at a Manhattan law firm was producing results but that other key issues remained to be resolved, such as what free agency will look like moving forward and new offseason workout rules.

The people spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because the talks aimed at ending the NFL's four-month-long lockout are supposed to be confidential. With time running short to keep the preseason intact, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, NFL Players Association head DeMaurice Smith, eight owners and about a half-dozen current or former players were in their second consecutive day of lengthy negotiations. They were expected to meet again Friday as they attempt to resolve the impasse that created the sport's first work stoppage since 1987.

On rookie salaries, four people familiar with the talks said first-round draft picks will sign four-year contracts with a club option for a fifth year. That represents

a compromise; owners were hoping for five-year contracts, while players wanted highly drafted rookies to be under a team's control for only four years.

NFL owners have long sought to restrict the huge bonuses and salaries paid to unproven rookies, particularly those selected at the top of the draft. Quarterback Sam Bradford, taken No. 1 overall in 2010 by the St. Louis Rams, signed a six-year, \$78 million contract that included a record \$50 million in guaranteed money. Under the system discussed Thursday, people told the AP, clubs will have an option for a fifth year on a rookie's contract for a predetermined amount based on the player's performance during the previous years of the deal.

The NFL locked out players in March, after negotiations broke down and the old collective bargaining agreement expired, and now the preseason is fast approaching. The need to arrive at a deal becomes greater with each passing day.

The Hall of Fame game that opens the exhibition season is scheduled for Aug. 7 between the Rams and the Chicago Bears, who hope to be able to start training camp at the end of next week. Yet camps will not open without a new CBA in place.

Talks gained steam in May, overseen by a court-appointed mediator, U.S. Magistrate Judge Arthur Boylan, who is on vacation this week. □

'99 team watching Americans with pride, nostalgia

By **NANCY ARMOUR**

AP National Writer

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP)

— Lauren Cheney was just 11 during the 1999 World Cup, watching from the stands and imagining what it would be like to be on that field with Mia Hamm and Michelle Akers and Julie Foudy and Brandi Chastain.

Fast-forward a dozen years, and it's Cheney's turn in the spotlight.

And somewhere, there's another young girl watching.

"She's inspiring some 12- or 13-year-old girl just like she was inspired," Chastain said Thursday. "That's what I love about this team, they're continuing the legacy."

That 1999 World Cup was a watershed moment for the U.S. team. All of women's sports, really. The players were part of the first generation to reap the full benefits of Title IX, and they took it one step further by making it cool for girls to play sports. They were adored by little girls and boys alike, so famous the players could go by just one name. Mia. Brandi. Foudy.

They packed stadiums from coast to coast — and not small ones, either. Soldier Field. The Meadowlands. Foxborough. And the granddaddy of them all, 90,000-plus in the Rose Bowl for the final. They won, too, beating China in a penalty kick shootout to give the United States a second World Cup trophy.

"We showed where women's athletics, women's team sports, women's soccer and soccer in general in America could go, and it was a tremendous event," said Tony DiCicco, the coach of the '99 team. "We didn't realize totally what was happening outside the event. But it was life-changing. I think it was life-changing for a lot of people, including some of the athletes on the current team."

As magnificent as the team's success was, though, it's cast a long shadow on everyone who's come after. Every U.S.



team is compared to the '99 squad, and nobody's come close to measuring up. Sure, the Americans have won the last two Olympic gold medals. But the World Cup is soccer's biggest prize, and the U.S. hasn't even made the final in the 21st century.

Until now, that is.

The U.S. plays Japan in Sunday's final with a chance

to become the first country to win three World Cup titles.

"I'd be tired of (the comparisons), too, if I was them. That's all they've heard for 12 years," said Foudy, who is now ESPN's lead analyst for the tournament. "What you hear from all of them is, 'We just want to forge our own identity,' which you can understand.

Here's a moment that the country can embrace this team and wrap their arms around this team and they have defined it. Nobody did it for them.

"They've given this country such a reason to love them," Foudy added. "You couldn't have scripted this better for them."

This U.S. team isn't a polished, precise group that dismantles opponents, the way the '99 team was. The Americans arrived in Germany with three losses in a five-month span, what qualifies as an alarming "bad streak" for a U.S. team, and then lost a World Cup group-stage game for the first time.

But they grabbed their country's attention with one thunderous header by Abby Wambach in the 122nd minute against Brazil, and have continued to charm the folks back home with grit, determination and colorful personalities. Their bandwagon is packed with Hollywood celebs and fellow athletes — not so packed there isn't room for more, though — and one fan is so besotted with Megan Rapinoe he wrote a song for her. (Go ahead, check it out on YouTube.) All these Americans are missing is the World Cup title, and they could take care of that on Sunday.

"It's cool we've completely written our own story,"

Cheney said. "Maybe we're not the favorites. Maybe people doubted us. But we have pure hearts and determination, and we believe in each other so much."

And no one is prouder than the members of that '99 team.

"How could you not be proud of way they fought and found a way against Brazil?" DiCicco asked. "We have a chance here to be the first country to win three World Cups. We think the team is in good hands." The core of the 1999 team was together for more than a decade, and those bonds have remained tight over the last 12 years. With Foudy, DiCicco, Chastain, Hamm and Briana Scurry all here working for ESPN, and Kristine Lilly turning up at games as a fan, the World Cup has turned into something of a reunion tour.

As they marvel at what the Americans are doing, they can't help but cherish their own accomplishments all over again. "Sitting down together and reliving stories and laughing, this is what I feel is so special about the experience we had," Chastain said. "This is what these players will be able to do 10 years, 20 years down the line. It'll be a very special time in their lives. I love the fact that they're going to say, 'We did that.' That's very, very precious." □

Japan relies on meticulous system at World Cup

RAF CASERT

AP Sports Writer

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP)

— Planning and meticulous execution is everything in Japanese football. So when the players fall behind in a game, there is a system to rely on, a belief there is a way back to victory.

As a result, the Japanese women are in their first World Cup final and their quick passing play — which has earned them praise as the female version of Barcelona — could well pose a stiff test for the favored United States.

Japan coach Norio Sasaki

has been planning the team's rise since the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

"In Beijing, we finished fourth and, at the time, it was our intention," Sasaki said. "This time we said, let's go to the final."

Despite all the planning in the world, he knows how unpredictable life can be. When the earthquake and tsunami struck on March 11 and left nearly 23,000 dead or missing, it touched Japan to the core, far beyond Fukushima's nuclear plant, destroyed homes and industries, and right down to the simple pleasures of life.



Japan players celebrate winning 3-1 the semifinal match between Japan and Sweden at the Women's Soccer World Cup in Frankfurt, Germany, Wednesday, July 13, 2011.

Associated Press

Judge declares mistrial in Clemens perjury case

JESSE J. HOLLAND
NEDRA PICKLER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The judge declared a mistrial in baseball star Roger Clemens' perjury trial on Thursday after prosecutors showed jurors evidence the judge had ruled out of bounds. U.S. District Judge Reggie Walton said the prosecutors made a grave mistake. And he said Clemens could not be assured of a fair trial after jurors were shown evidence against the court's orders in the second day of testimony.

Walton scheduled a Sept. 2 hearing to determine whether to hold a new trial. He told jurors he was sorry to have wasted their time and spent so much taxpayer money, only to call off the case.

"There are rules that we play by and those rules are designed to make sure both sides receive a fair trial," Walton told the jury, saying such ground rules are critically important when a person's liberty is at stake.

"If this man got convicted, he would go to jail," Walton said.

He said that because prosecutors broke his rules, "the ability with Mr. Clemens with this jury to get a fair trial with this jury would be very difficult if not impossible."

Prosecutors suggested the problem could be fixed with an instruction to the jury to disregard the evidence, but Walton seemed skeptical.

He said he could never know what impact the evidence would have during the jury's deliberations "when we've got a man's liberty at interest."

"I don't see how I un-ring the bell."

Defense attorney Rusty Hardin patted an unsmiling Clemens on the back as the judge announced his decision.

Clemens did not speak to reporters as he left the courtroom and made a telephone call in a private corner of the hallway.

Clemens and his lawyers remain under a court gag order and they declined to comment as they left the courthouse.

Clemens hugged a couple of court workers, shook hands with the security guards, and signed autographs and a couple of baseballs for fans.

"I'm not going to say anything," Clemens said, sounding frustrated at the mass of reporters and camera crews.

He and his legal team ducked into a nearby restaurant to escape the horde of news people.

Walton interrupted the prosecution's playing of a video from Clemens' 2008 testimony before Congress and had the jury removed from the courtroom.

Clemens is accused of lying during that testimony when he said he never used performance-enhancing drugs during his 24-season career in Major League Baseball.

One of the chief pieces of evidence against Clemens is testimony from his former teammate and close friend, Andy Pettitte, who says Clemens told him in 1999 or 2000 that he used human growth hormone. Clemens has said that Pettitte misheard him.

Pettitte also says he told his wife, Laura, about the conversation the same day it happened.

Prosecutors had wanted to call Laura Pettitte as a witness to back up her husband's account, but Walton had said he wasn't inclined to have her testify since she didn't speak directly to Clemens.

Walton was angered that in the video prosecutors showed the jury, congressman Elijah Cummings referred to Pettitte's conversation with his wife.

"I think that a first-year law student would know that you can't bolster the credibility of one witness with



Former Major League baseball pitcher Roger Clemens leaves federal court in Washington, Thursday, July 14, 2011, after the judge declared a mistrial in his perjury trial after prosecutors showed jurors evidence that the judge had ruled out of bounds. Associated Press

clearly inadmissible evidence," Walton said. He said it was the second time that prosecutors had gone against his orders — the other being an incident that happened during opening arguments on Wednesday when assistant U.S. attorney Steven Durham said that Pettitte and

two other of Clemens' New York teammates, Chuck Knoblauch and Mike Stanton, had used human growth hormone. Walton said in pre-trial hearings that such testimony could lead jurors to consider Clemens guilty by association. □

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Biologists report hijacking E. coli's genetic code

NICHOLAS WADE

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Synthetic biology, the quest to hijack living systems and convert them to human-directed goals, is on the march. Last year biologists synthesized the entire genome of a small bacterium and showed how it could successfully infect a second bacterium. Now, in what may be a more significant advance, biologists have shown they can radically change a genome, not just copy it.

A team led by Farren J. Isaacs and George M. Church of the Harvard Medical School has devised a method for making hundreds of changes in a genome simultaneously. This massively parallel intervention, as the changes are known, is one of the advances that would be needed in another project Church and others have contemplated, that of recreating the mammoth by starting with an elephant's genome and changing it at the 400,000 sites at which elephant DNA differs from that of the mammoth.

In the present instance, Isaacs and Church have been working not with a mammoth but with the standard laboratory bacterium known as E. coli. To prove they can seize control of the microbe's genetic code and reprogram it, they have focused on one of the code's 64 elements, known as the amber stop codon.

In Thursday's issue of the journal Science, they report that they will soon be able to delete the amber stop codon from all 314 sites in which it occurs in the E. coli genome, without harm to the organism. The codon can then be reinserted, but with a new function, like introducing a novel chemical unit into the bacterium's proteins.

Genetic engineers have become adept at changing one gene in a genome, but it is quite another thing to alter a genome at 314 sites simultaneously.

"This is the first instance that a genome has been altered at such a large scale," said James J. Collins, a synthetic biologist at Boston University. Along with the synthesis of a bacterial genome last year by J. Craig Venter, the advance takes synthetic biology from the gene to the genome level.

"It is a major technical

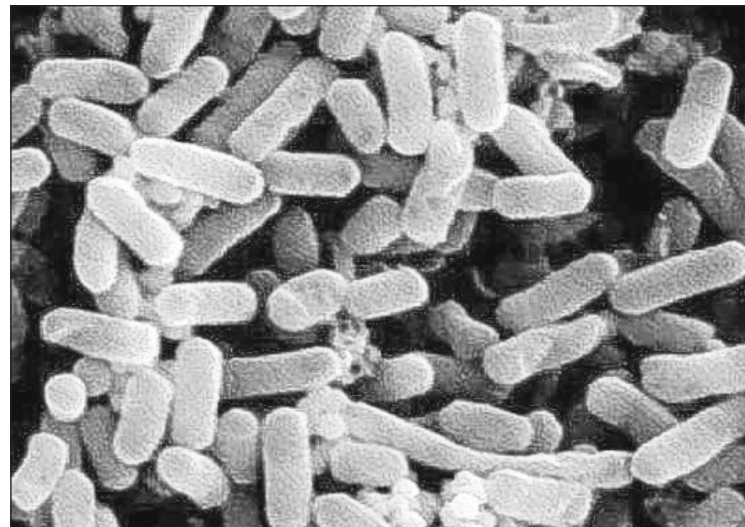
in something blinky there," he said, like a dye that would made the bacterium fluoresce. The two leading laboratories that have taken synthetic biology to the genome level are those of Venter and Church, but their approaches are very different. Venter's company, Synthetic Genomics, spent \$500,000 to make a synthetic copy of the genome of a bacterium that infects goats. Church has focused on changing an existing genome — that of the well-studied E. coli bac-

sis. He called Church's approach, without excessive praise, "a positive addition to the field."

Joyce of the Scripps Research Institute summed it up this way: "Craig builds the house from scratch, and George is more the remodeler, but they are both interesting houses to live in." The goal of synthetic biology is to take control of nature's manufacturing system and divert it to other ends. Church's method, which has been seven years in development, focuses on the genetic code that is common to all living things. The four different bases of DNA can be combined to make 64 three-letter words, or codons, the units in which the cell translates its genetic information into protein products. What Church has done is to grab one of these codons for his own use by forcing the bacterium to stop using it. In future experiments he can assign this codon to other uses.

Most of the codons in the genetic code are used to designate one or another of the 20 standard amino acids that make up proteins. But three of the units are punctuation marks, all signaling to the cell to stop adding to a growing chain of amino acids. The chain is then released and folds up into a protein.

The E. coli bacterium uses all three stop codons, which are known as amber, ochre and umber (the first is named for Harris Bernstein, a former graduate student at the California Institute of Technology whose surname means amber in German). Church's team converted all 314 amber stop codons in the E. coli genome to the ochre variety by changing all instances of T-A-G, in the four-letter alphabet of DNA units, to T-A-A. □



Strains of E. coli under a microscope. Last year biologists synthesized the entire genome of a small bacterium and showed how it could successfully infect a second bacterium. Now, in what may be a more significant advance, biologists have shown they can radically change a genome, not just copy it.

breakthrough which has great promise for scientific breakthroughs to follow," said Dr. Gerald J. Joyce, a biologist who studies the origin of life at the Scripps Research Institute in San Diego. "This is really macho molecular biotechnology." By taking control of the amber stop codon, Isaacs and Church have opened a door into the bacterium's genetic programming. They could now make the bacterium incorporate a novel kind of amino acid unit into its proteins, although they have not yet done so, to Joyce's disappointment. "They could have taken their amber codon and put

terium — thus avoiding the high cost of sequencing. Church said his approach was modular, so it can be tested at each stage, whereas Venter's whole genome was nearly brought down by a single mutation. In contrast to Venter's method, "our genome engineering technologies treat the chromosome as an editable and evolvable template," Church says in his Science article. Venter was not available for an interview, but his office issued a statement in which he said his goal — to design cells from scratch — could be attained only by whole-genome synthe-

Junk food ads aimed at kids

MARY CLARE JALONICK,

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The largest U.S. food companies say they will cut back on marketing unhealthy foods to children, proposing their own set of advertising standards after rejecting similar guidelines proposed by the federal government. A coalition of food companies — including General Mills, ConAgra Foods and Kellogg — announced the guidelines Thursday. The companies said the effort will vastly change what is advertised, forcing them to curb advertising on one out of three products currently marketed to children. The new standards, which will allow companies to advertise food and beverage products to children if they meet certain nutritional criteria, could force some brands to change recipes to include less sodium, fat, sugars and calories. While many companies have trumpeted their own efforts to market healthier foods to kids, the agreement would apply the same standards to all of the participating companies. "Now foods from different companies, such as cereals or canned pastas, will meet the same nutrition criteria, rather than similar but slightly different company-specific criteria," said Elaine Kolish of the Children's Food and Beverage Advertising Initiative, a group formed by the industry to address marketing issues. The group's proposal was pushed along by a government effort to do the same thing. The Federal Trade Commission and several other government agencies were directed by Congress to come up with voluntary guidelines for marketing junk food to children, and those were issued earlier this year. □

Digital music service Spotify launches in U.S.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Digital music service Spotify arrived in the United States on Thursday, aiming its addictive, free song service at American listeners in the hope that they will then pay for more features, just as nearly 2 million have done in Europe. Spotify gives people access to more than 15 million songs on computers for free as long as they listen to a few 15-second ads. It then tries to persuade them to pay \$5 a month for a computer-only version that strips out the ads, or \$10 a month for one that can be used on mobile devices including iPhones and Android-powered devices.

"The key is to get them invested in the experience," Ken Parks, chief content officer and managing director of Spotify North America, said in an interview. "You spend 1,000 hours in an experience like Spotify building playlists, it sort of becomes part of your life." "Suddenly the question about whether you pay the equivalent of two or three

fancy coffees a month to take that collection on your mobile device becomes a much easier question to answer," he said. The Swedish company has more than 10 million registered users and 1.6 million paying customers in the United Kingdom, Sweden, Finland, Norway, France, the Netherlands and Spain.

It added the United States as its eighth market on Thursday as it launched for invited users in a test period. Spotify is the latest in an array of companies to offer a subscription music plan with the cooperation of the major music labels. The competing plans include Rhapsody, MOG and Rdio. All offer a \$10-a-month plan that allows for unlimited listening to millions of songs and the ability to save songs on phones for playback when outside of cellphone range.

So far, such plans have not been popular enough to reverse a decade-long slide in music sales, which has been mainly caused by piracy. Last year, revenue from paid subscription plans fell 5 percent from a

year earlier to \$201 million, even though the number of subscribers grew about 25 percent to 1.5 million, according to the Recording Industry Association of America. Including CD sales, downloads and other forms of music, the value of U.S. music shipments fell 11 percent to \$6.85 billion, the RIAA said. The most popular of the subscription services, Rhapsody, has more than 800,000 paying subscribers. But none of the existing plans have what Spotify offers: an enticing free service that offers a huge chunk of listening and gets consumers to bond with its interface. Others have trial services that last from a few days to a week. Pandora, a popular Internet radio service, allows for unlimited free listening to songs with audio ads, but it doesn't allow users to pick specific tracks and its library of songs is far smaller. On Spotify, European users are allowed to listen for free for 20 hours a month for the first six months, after which their free listening is capped at 10 hours a month with a limit of five plays per song.



Music streaming site Founders Daniel Ek and Martin Lorentzon in front of Spotify logo.

Spotify said it will study how U.S. users adopt the service before it decides on free usage caps here. Parks boasted that the application offered "instantaneous" access to songs with no data buffering. In a brief test of the computer-only application, song plays were ex-

tremely snappy.

The program also quickly dug through a user's existing iTunes program to find playlists and identify purchased music and favorites. The interface resembled Apple Inc.'s iTunes program but with less clutter. □

Inquiring minds now turn to Google, not friends

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Researcher Betsy Sparrow was watching the 1944 movie "Gaslight" one evening and wondered who the actress was who played the maid. She reached for her computer and Googled it. That set Sparrow to thinking: before the Internet, how did we answer these questions?

The Internet has taken a major place in the circle of friends where people look for information, she concludes in Thursday's online edition of the journal Science.

It previous decades folks

would turn to friends for an answer — someone who knows all about baseball, or the weather or presidents or movies. People knew whom to ask.

Now, Sparrow found in a series of experiments, people are more likely to know where to look for the information on the Internet.

If they expect something to remain easily available, they are more likely to remember where they found the information than the information itself, she discovered. But if they do not think it will be easy to find again they are more likely to remember the information itself.

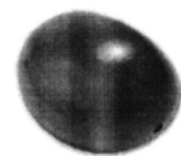
It is called "transactive memory," a theory developed about 25 years ago by her co-author, Daniel M. Wegner of Harvard University, in which a group of people collectively store and retrieve knowledge with each member of the group contributing.

Today is not much different, just with the computer as part of the group, she said. And, folks forget, there are people behind the Internet, and that is where the information originates, she noted, and often with more than one source available, added Sparrow, a Columbia University psychology professor. □



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Google 2Q earnings soar past analyst estimates

MICHAEL LIEDTKE

AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Google Inc. ushered in new CEO Larry Page with second-quarter earnings that were far better than analysts expected.

The results released Thursday reassured investors who had been fretting whether Google would still thrive under Page's leadership. The Google co-founder replaced Eric Schmidt, the CEO of the previous decade, at the start of the quarter.

Wall Street wasted little time signaling its exuberance with Page's performance. Google shares increased \$54.51, or more than 10 percent, to \$583.45



In this May 11, 2011 file photo, attendees await the morning keynote address at the Google IO Developers Conference in San Francisco.

Associated Press

Oil giant ConocoPhillips to split into 2 companies



In this March 8, 2008 file photo, clouds hover over a Conoco service station in Glenrock, Wyo.

CHRIS KAHN

AP Energy Writer

NEW YORK (AP) —

Oil giant ConocoPhillips said Thursday it will split into two companies: one that produces oil and another that refines it into gasoline and other fuels.

The decision was cheered by Wall Street analysts and investors, who see advantages to running smaller, more focused operations. Shares gained \$1.53, about 2.1 percent, to \$75.93 in afternoon trading.

"This is so positive for them," Oppenheimer & Co. analyst Fadel Gheit said of the Conoco split. "Everyone should stick to one business."

Associated Press

The move continues an about-face for a company that spent billions of dollars during the past several years growing into America's third-largest oil company. After snapping up Burlington Resources for \$35 billion and making multi-billion dollar investments in Russia's Lukoil and the Rockies Express gas pipeline, Conoco was deep in debt. The company has been trying to shed assets since last year.

ConocoPhillips also said CEO Jim Mulva will retire when the spin-off is completed.

Conoco has talked about scaling back its refining business, but it had pre-

viously balked at a spin off. Gheit said that company officials likely changed their mind after seeing how successful Marathon Oil was at spinning off its refining operations.

Marathon's stock jumped 30 percent after it announced the split in January. On July 1, Marathon Petroleum Corp., the refining company, began trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the "MPC" ticker symbol.

Conoco's refineries produced 2.3 million barrels per day of gasoline, diesel and other petroleum products in the first quarter, eclipsing other independent players like Valero Energy Corp. Valero is still bigger in terms of worldwide refining capacity, however.

The refining business is notoriously volatile. It makes money when the prices of products like gasoline, diesel and jet fuel outpace oil and manufacturing costs. The trick is to refine crude as cheaply as possible and sell petroleum products in markets where they'll generate the biggest revenue.

Refiners have had more success doing that this year. Conoco's refineries earned \$482 million from January to March. □

in extended trading after finishing the regular session at \$528.94.

Google Inc. earned \$2.5 billion, or \$7.68 per share, in the April-June period. That's a 36 percent increase from \$1.84 billion, or \$5.71 per share, a year ago.

If not for costs covering employee stock, Google says it would have earned \$8.74 per share. That figured easily topped the average estimate of \$7.84 per share among analysts surveyed by FactSet.

Revenue increased 32 percent to \$9 billion, the first time in Google's 13-year history that it has brought in that much money in a quarter.

After subtracting Google's advertising commissions, revenue stood at \$6.9 billion — nearly \$400 million above analyst projections. Google fared so well because advertisers were willing to pay higher prices to promote their products on the Internet's largest marketing network. The average price paid per advertising click on Google's network rose 12 percent from last year. Web surfers also found the ads more enticing, clicking on them 18 percent more than they did at the same time last year.

Page delivered the impressive results even while standing by his vow to bring in more engineering

talent and investing heavily in more data centers so that Google can keep expanding into new fields to make even more money in the future. Google's newest venture, a Facebook-like social network called Plus, debuted two weeks ago and has grown quickly amid positive reviews.

Plus is off to such a good start that Page himself took the unusual step of sharing some statistics about how quickly the service is being embraced even though it still requires an invitation to join.

During some of his most extensive public remarks since becoming CEO, Page boasted that more than 10 million people already have joined Plus. By comparison, Facebook has more than 750 million users. The usually aloof Page also tried to address worries that he has been frivolously spending money on projects that have little to do with Google's main business of Internet search and advertising.

"We are very careful stewards of shareholder money," he said during opening remarks that covered the first eight minutes of management's conference call.

"I am very happy with our progress here," Page said. "Focus and prioritization are crucial, given our amazing opportunities. Indeed, I see more opportunities for Google today than ever before, because, believe it or not, we are still in the very early stages of what we want to do."

To help carry out its ambitious agenda, Google increased its payroll by 9 percent, or 2,452 employees, in the quarter to bring its work force to nearly 28,800 people. The additions included 450 workers inherited as part of the company's \$700 million purchase of airline fare tracker ITA Software. Through the first half of the year, Google added nearly 4,400 workers. That's well ahead of its pledge to hire at least 6,200 employees this year. Even Page indicated the hiring is occurring a little faster than he anticipated. □

AP-GfK Poll: Debit card fees might change behavior

By CANDICE CHOI

AP Personal Finance Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans prefer using their debit cards at the register. But a small fee could change that.

A new Associated Press-GfK poll finds that about two-thirds of consumers use debit cards more frequently than credit cards. But when debit card holders were asked how they would react if they were charged a \$3 monthly fee for their debit card, 61 percent say

they'd find another way to pay.

If the fee was \$5, 66 percent would do the same. If the fee was \$7, the figure rises to 81 percent.

The findings come at a time when consumers are seeing unwelcome changes to their debit cards and the checking accounts to which they're linked. Although banks haven't started imposing monthly fees for debit cards, there are signs higher costs could be on the way.

Starting in October, a new cap will sharply limit the revenue banks can collect from merchants whenever customers swipe their debit cards. That revenue has been a critical income source for banks; merchants paid issuers \$19.7 billion for debit transactions in 2009, according to the Nilson Report, which tracks the payments industry.

Consumers are already seeing the fallout. Chase, PNC Bank and Wells Fargo ended or scaled back their debit rewards programs citing the new regulation. The availability of free checking accounts also declined last year for the first time since 2003.

And more changes could be in store.

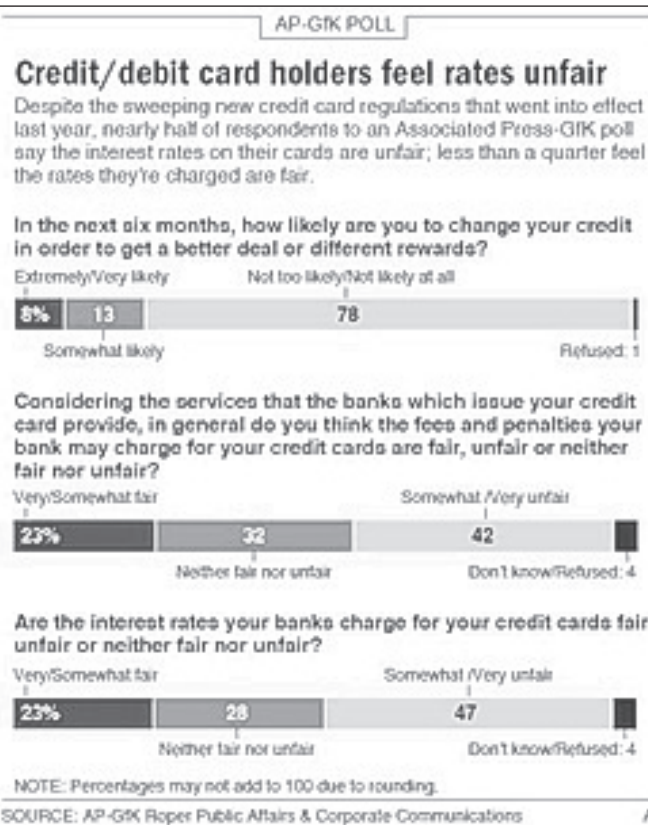
Chase, for example, is testing a \$3 monthly fee for debit cards on new accounts in northern Wisconsin. In Atlanta, it's testing a \$15 monthly fee on basic checking accounts. Among the AP-GfK poll respondents who say they would leave their debit cards in their wallets in the face of such fees, more say they'd pay with cash, 53 percent, or check, 42 percent, rather than another form of plastic.

"Cash or checks — they're not very expensive," said Aaron Alto, a 44-year-old resident of Grand Rapids, Minn. Alto says he'd be annoyed enough to look for an alternative to his debit card if the fees approached \$10.

Debit card fees would cause 22 percent to switch to credit cards, and 12 percent say they would switch to a prepaid spending card.

For now, the notable preference for debit could be linked to a negative sentiment about credit cards; nearly half of respondents to the AP-GfK poll say the interest rates they're charged are unfair.

That may be because 30 percent had their interest rates hiked in the past two years. That's more than twice the number who say their rates were lowered.



Forty-two percent of respondents also say the fees and penalties on their cards are unfair; 37 percent say card issuers recently raised those potential charges.

The higher rates and fees may have surprised consumers in light of the new regulations that were intended to protect cardholders and put an end to questionable billing practices.

Under the rules that went into effect last February, cardholders are now entitled to 45 days notice before their rates are hiked. Card issuers are also prohibited from raising rates on existing balances, a once-common practice that consumer advocates had long decried.

Additionally, the one-time penalty fees for late payments are capped at \$25 per violation. But there's no limit on how high banks can hike interest rates on purchases or the default interest rates that kick in when customers are late on payments.

Earl Law, a 61-year-old resident of Buffalo, N.Y., said the penalty rate on a few of his cards is 30 percent. "It's absurd. It's usurious," he said. "If you're struggling with debt, that's the last thing you need. You're asking people to fail."

Despite the widespread discontent with interest rates, the regulations are having a clear, positive impact in one area: monthly statements. Nearly half of re-

spondents say they're now easier to understand.

Part of the reason is that the new law requires credit card issuers to spell out the cost of carrying a balance. For example, statements now include a chart that shows how long it would take to pay off a balance if only minimum payments were made. The chart also includes the total amount the cardholder would pay over that time, including interest charges.

The increased transparency might be one reason why the majority of consumers — 78 percent — say they plan to stick with their cards, despite their grumblings about high rates and fees.

It could also be that consumers have grown numb to unpleasant changes. In the months leading up to the passage of the new regulations, many cardholders saw their interest rates hiked, credit limits slashed and inactive accounts shut down.

The poll was conducted June 16-20 by GfK Roper Public Affairs and Corporate Communications. It involved landline and cell phone interviews with 1,001 adults nationwide, including 715 who have credit cards and 706 debit card holders.

Results from the full sample have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 4.1 percentage points; it is 4.8 points for those with credit or debit cards. □

Oil falls 2 percent

CHRIS KAHN

AP Energy Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil dropped more than 2 percent Thursday after Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke said the government would not immediately pump more cash into economic stimulus programs.

Bernanke told lawmakers on Wednesday that the Fed was looking at a variety of stimulus measures, including another round of bond buying, to lower long-term interest rates. Stimulus measures like that tend to weaken the dollar, and that drives investors to commodities like oil. On Thursday he dampened hopes that that would happen soon. "We're not prepared at this point to take further action" to stimulate the economy," Bernanke said. Oil tumbled shortly after Bernanke spoke. Benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude for August delivery fell \$2.36 to settle at \$95.69 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

In London, Brent crude gave up \$1.59 to settle at \$116.26 per barrel on the ICE Futures exchange.

Oil climbed nearly 20 percent late last year, ahead of the Fed's \$600 billion bond-buying program that began in November.

"They're not readying the stimulus package right now," and that's pushing some investors away, said Tom Kloza, publisher and chief oil analyst at Oil Price Information Service.

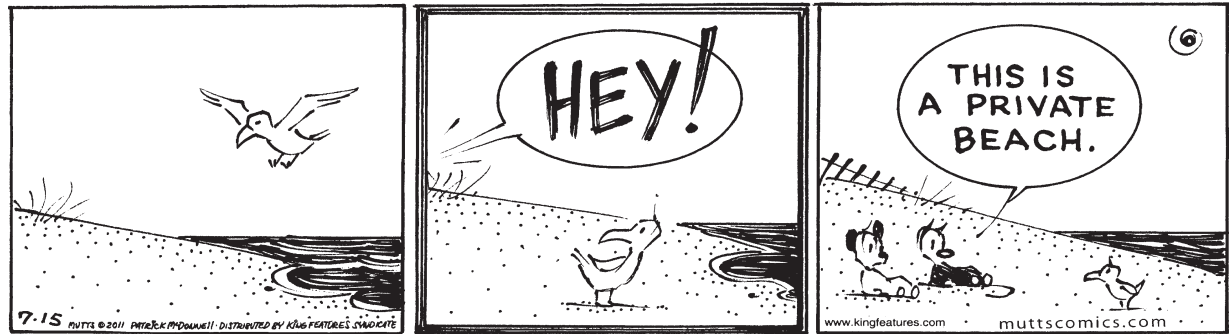
The dollar rose on Bernanke's comments. Oil tends to fall as the dollar rises, since oil is priced in dollars and becomes more expensive for investors with foreign currency as the dollar strengthens.

Meanwhile new economic reports on Thursday showed to only faint signs of a turnaround. The government said retail sales rose by 0.1 percent in June. They declined the previous month. And the Labor Department said the number of people who applied for unemployment benefits dropped last week by 22,000 to a seasonally adjusted 405,000. That's the lowest level in three months, but application levels above 400,000 still reflect a weak job market.

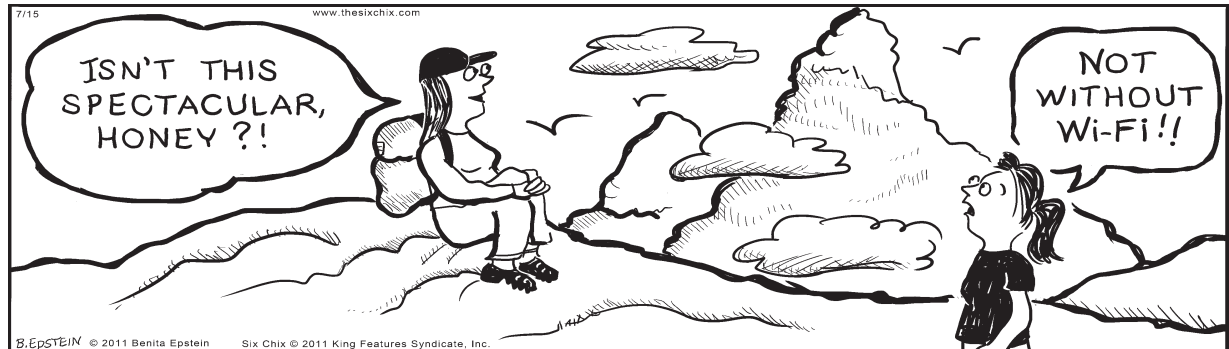
The Energy Information Administration also said that natural gas supplies rose more than expected last week. However, the 2.6 trillion cubic feet in storage last week is 2 percent below the five-year average.

In other Nymex trading for August contracts, heating oil fell 1.48 cents to settle at \$3.0849 per gallon and gasoline futures gave up 2.68 cents to settle at \$3.1248 per gallon. Natural gas lost 2.9 cents to settle at \$4.358 per 1,000 cubic feet. □

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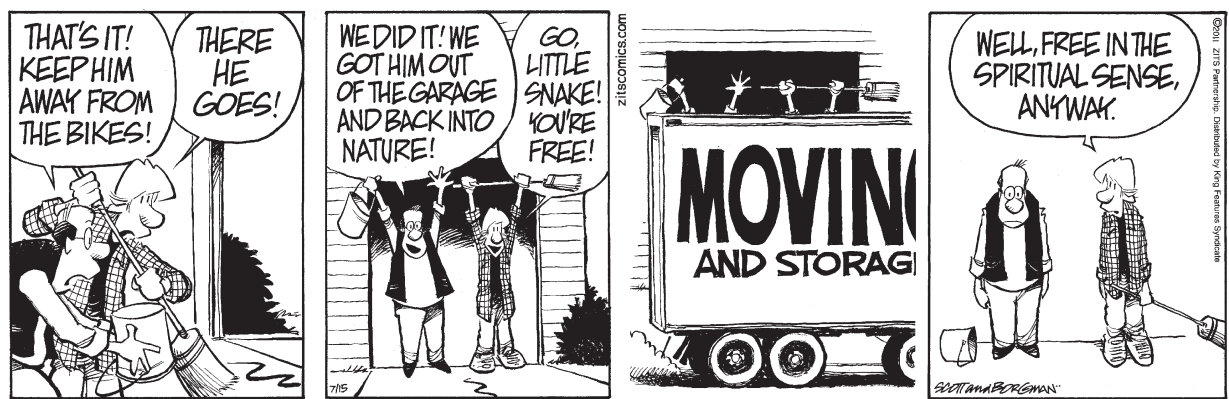
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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Today In History

Today is Friday, July 15, the 196th day of 2011. There are 169 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1099 - Three years after the First Crusade set out, the Christian army storms Jerusalem and puts its Muslim inhabitants to the sword.

1789 - France's King Louis XVI is awakened and told that his authority has collapsed with the fall of the Bastille.

1801 - France and Papacy sign agreement saying French clergymen are to be appointed by the government and merely confirmed by the Pope.

1822 - Turkish invasion of Greece begins, and Turks overrun peninsula north of Gulf of Corinth.

1857 - British women and children taken by Indians at Cawnpore in India are murdered.

1893 - The Matabele, Bantu-speaking people of southwestern Zimbabwe, stage uprising against rule of British South Africa Company. They are defeated and administered by the company in separate districts.

1909 - Mohammed Ali, shah of Persia, is deposed in favor of 12-year-old Sultan Ahmad Shah.

1948 - U.N. Security Council orders truce in Palestine.

1974 - Officers in Cyprus favoring unification with Greece oust Archbishop Makarios from presidency. The coup leads to a Turkish military intervention.

1975 - United States' Apollo and Soviet Union's Soyuz spacecraft blast into orbit for rendezvous in space.

1987 - Taiwan ends 38 years of martial law to pave the way for multiparty elections.

1990 - Tens of thousands of people march to Kremlin walls to protest Communist Party control of Soviet government, army and KGB.

1992 - NATO says its warships

will begin patrolling Yugoslavia's coast in an effort to tighten a U.N. trade embargo and step up pressure to end the fighting in Bosnia.

1997 - Fashion designer Gianni Versace is shot to death outside his Miami Beach mansion by Andrew Cunanan, who kills himself a few days later.

1998 - Nigeria's military government orders the immediate release of at least 400 people imprisoned under the late military ruler Gen. Sani Abacha.

2000 - In a rare display of force, U.N. troops launch a rescue mission that frees all 222 peacekeepers and 11 military observers trapped by rebels inside a U.N. base in eastern Sierra Leone.

2001 - Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina leaves her post after five years in office, longer than any other Bangladeshi leader.

2002 - A Pakistani judge convicts four defendants in the kidnapping and murder of American journalist Daniel Pearl.

2005 - Investigators probing the U.N. oil-for-food program say they have found evidence of "gross mismanagement" and possible corruption by the U.N. agency that oversaw compensation for victims of Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

2006 - Thousands of demonstrators demanding the return of ousted president Jean-Bertrand Aristide march to Haiti's National Palace, pushing past riot police in a dramatic show of support for the exiled former leader.

2007 - Five Darfur rebel groups agree to join forces in a coalition called the United Front for Liberation and Development to push for a solution to the four-year conflict in the western region of Sudan.



Today is Forest Whitaker's birthday

2008 — Protesters storm past barricades near the National Palace in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, during a rally marking the 55th birthday of ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Today's Birthdays:

Rembrandt (Rembrandt Harmes van Rijn), Dutch artist (1606-1669); Marie Tempest, English actress (1864-1942); Walter Benjamin, German literary critic (1892-1940); Iris Murdoch, British writer (1919-1999); Jacques Derrida, French philosopher (1930-2004); Linda Ronstadt U.S. singer (1946--); Forest Whitaker, U.S. actor/director (1961--).

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A black and white photograph of two baboons on a sandy beach. The baboon on the left is standing on its hind legs, leaning forward with its front paws on the sand. The baboon on the right is sitting on the sand, facing the first baboon, with its mouth slightly open. The background is a vast, flat, sandy beach under a bright sky.

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The study measured hormone levels in the feces of the baboons, tested at times when the hierarchy was stable and when it was unstable. Unstable conditions were defined as times when there was a turnover in baboon rankings. □

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Justin Timberlake, leading man, miles beyond the boy band

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When Justin Timberlake tried out for the role of Sean Parker in "The Social Network," director David Fincher had a particular line from Aaron Sorkin's script in mind. Sean, the former Napster executive who schools Mark Zuckerberg in the ways of Silicon Valley, is a slick seducer: "He was described in the screenplay as moving through the room like Frank Sinatra," Fincher recalled.

Known best for his stint in the epochal boy band 'N Sync and the smash solo career that followed, Timberlake had at the time nudged music toward the back burner, concentrating on acting instead. Scuffing up his teen-idol image, he'd taken roles in dark dramas like Nick Cassavetes' "Alpha Dog" and Craig Brewer's "Black Snake Moan," both released in 2006. Fincher had been particularly impressed by Timberlake's turn hosting "Saturday Night Live" that same year. "Every time he came on it was, like, man, this guy's good," he said by phone.

"He was magic, so effortless. With Justin, you want to see what he's going to do next. And I felt you needed that for Sean."

As Timberlake read for the part, Fincher was convinced he'd found his Sinatra. "But there was the question of whether he'd topple the apple cart," the director recalled. "Everyone thought he was too famous." In the end, Fincher's initial enthusiasm won out. "We finally decided, just because he's perfect doesn't mean we shouldn't cast him."

Drinking an Americano coffee at a restaurant in the meatpacking district of Manhattan, Timberlake, 30, recounted the moment he learned the news. "When I got the call from David," he joked, "I peed my pants a little bit."

Today Timberlake's status as a credible movie actor has gone from something directors fret about to a seeming fait accompli. Many reviews of "The Social Network" praised Timberlake's performance, and when The New

York Post reported that he was quietly campaigning for a best supporting actor Oscar nomination, the news sounded much less outlandish than it should have. It wasn't so long ago, after all, that Timberlake was widely considered a frosted-tipped curiosity, one-fifth of an elaborately harmonizing and dancing teen-pop machine and one-half of a post-pubescent power couple with his girlfriend Britney Spears.

Now, after one of the more remarkable show business makeovers, Timberlake oversees a small media and fashion empire, the most recent addition being a stake in MySpace. On the movie front he has delivered two of his highest-profile performances in the comedies "Bad Teacher" and "Friends With Benefits," which comes out Friday. This fall he will star in "In Time," a sci-fi thriller directed by Andrew Niccol, writer-director of "Gattaca" and writer of "The Truman Show." The

he'd entered, but he picked a table in an empty section, nestled discreetly behind a serving station. Outside, Timberlake had walked with the briskness of someone long accustomed to sudden, shrieking swarms of fans. But as he worked on his coffee, he grew more relaxed and more animated, one leg tucked beneath the other like an overgrown kid.

In conversation he was expansive, but when the topic of his actorly ambitions arose, Timberlake began a game of cat and mouse. Were there genres he'd especially like to explore?

"I don't think in genres," he said, demurring.

What classic roles did he think of and say, I'd love to play something like that? "Once an actor makes a role his own, it's kind of hard to imagine what you'd do with it."

Was any strategy whatsoever guiding his choices? "Of course," he said. "Early on especially, I turned

tion to a single, cartoonish role. With the group he enjoyed an era-defining success (selling more than 11 million copies in the United States, 'N Sync's "No Strings Attached," from 2000, is the biggest album of the '00s) that burned fast but bright, threatening to reduce him to a punch line and relic well before he'd turned 25. Unlike his band mates, Timberlake managed to start a critically and commercially successful solo career, making state-of-the-art R&B-tinged pop. Even then, he remembers frequently thinking to himself, "I don't want my whole life to be defined by this moment," and he added that he has "no idea" when he'll make another album.

"I've never turned my back on music," he said. "I just want to do other things." Timberlake traces his mercurial tendencies to his childhood in Shelby Forest, Tenn., a Memphis suburb where he grew up idolizing Dean Martin, Gene Kelly



Justin Timberlake in New York, July 8, 2011. Timberlake continues his transition from pop star to a Hollywood professional as he takes on the lead role in two major screen comedies this summer.

(Mark Veltman/The New York Times)

you make adults laugh, it triggers some chemical," he said.

At the age of 10, after an appearance singing on "Star Search," Timberlake was cast on the television program "The All-New Mickey Mouse Club," a variety show he described as " 'SNL' for kids" and fondly recalled as a sort of Actors Studio for the tween set: "We had an acting coach, a vocal coach, a movement coach, improv classes." His fellow cast members included Spears, Christina Aguilera, Keri Russell and Ryan Gosling.

When the program was canceled in 1994, "I felt like a freak," Timberlake said. "I was angry, back in this small town, feeling like a door had closed." Just when he'd persuaded his mother to take him to Los Angeles for pilot-season auditions, he received a call from a singer named Chris Kirkpatrick, asking him to join a new pop group in Orlando, Fla.

"Within eight months we had a record deal, then we were touring Europe and selling records," Timberlake said of 'N Sync's rise. He threw himself into the group, analyzing performance footage like an athlete. But he was, to a large degree, flying blind: "I didn't know how to process any of it," he said.

After 'N Sync, Timberlake was hungry for a different script. "I wanted to do something real," he said. □



An undated handout photo of Mila Kunis, left, and Justin Timberlake in "Friends With Benefits." (Glen Wilson/Screen Gems via The New York Times)

big question about Timberlake's career is no longer whether the 'N Sync guy can act, but rather what kind of actor he wants to be.

"I don't want to make that decision," Timberlake said at the restaurant, dressed in a black henley shirt and lightly distressed jeans.

Heads had turned when

down a lot of scripts that were targeted to a demographic I already had. It's about being patient, and having something in the back of your mind about not getting pigeonholed."

Timberlake's desire to remain unfixed as an actor likely stems from his time with 'N Sync, which fused him in the public imagina-

and, you guessed it, Sinatra: "guys who were entertainers across the board," he said. Music came naturally to Timberlake, who recalled hearing songs on the radio as a kid, "picking up a guitar and figuring them out." But he also loved trying out jokes and impressions on his parents and their friends. "When you're young and

New DVDs:

A tragic actress' twilight, burning, not dimming

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THE LETTER

Long overshadowed by William Wyler's 1940 remake starring Bette Davis, the first filming, from 1929, of W. Somerset Maugham's stage play "The Letter" has re-emerged, thanks to a new DVD edition from Warner Archive.

As the only surviving sound film of the radically innovative Broadway star Jeanne Eagels, the film is an important piece of theater history, preserving the performance style of a brilliant, eccentric and spectacularly self-destructive actress (who would die of a drug overdose seven months after the film's release).

But, stiff as it may be in cinematic terms, "The Letter" is also a crucial piece of film history. One of the first talking films – or "audible photoplays," as The New York Times then called them – to impress critics with the artistic possibilities of a technology still widely regarded as a gimmick, "The Letter" represented an important step on the way to the normalization of sound. (We're still awaiting, with diminishing assurance, the similar steps that might make digital 3-D a permanent fixture of the movies.)

Eagels had scored a tremendous success as the South Seas prostitute Sadie Thompson in "Rain," the stage adaptation of a Maugham story. But by 1928 her habit of missing performances had earned her a suspension from Actors Equity, preventing her from appearing on Broadway. She could still work for the movies, and Paramount's East Coast production chief, Monta Bell, shrewdly cast her in "The Letter," a Maugham play that had closed on Broadway after only 104 performances, with the regal Katherine Cornell in the lead. Eagels turned out to be a perfect match for Maugham's Leslie Crosbie, the unhappy wife of a dull British planter

(Reginald Owen) stranded in the jungles of Singapore. At a time when stage acting was more often concerned with elocution than emotion (as the canned theatrical performances of many other early talkies testify), Eagels seemed like a raw nerve, a conduit of convulsive feeling.

Her ability to seize and stay

the 1940 "Letter," even she couldn't let herself go to the degree that Eagels does in the climax of the 1929 film. Shot by the director Jean de Limur in what appears to be a continuous take photographed from three angles, the scene builds to an annihilating force as Eagels, slowly realizing that her husband has a dread-



Catherine Demongeot in the 1960 film "Zazie Dans le Metro" directed by Louis Malle," in an undated handout image. The film "The Letter," which featured Jeanne Eagels, who influenced Bette Davis, the remake's star of "Zazie Dans le Metro," has re-emerged, on a new DVD edition from Warner Archive.

(Criterion Collection via The New York Times)

"in the moment" – as generations of Method actors would later characterize it – is formidably illustrated in the scene in which she shoots her unfaithful lover (Herbert Marshall, who would play the betrayed husband in the remake). Completely unconcerned with her appearance (as if the camera, and its implied audience, weren't even there), a wild-eyed Eagels fires again and again, thrusting the gun forward with each shot as if it were a knife.

-Bette Davis is said to have greatly admired Eagels, and her breakthrough performance in another Maugham piece, "Of Human Bondage" (1934), already reflects Egel's influence: the sudden twitches, slashing vocal rhythms, the startling frankness of her big, bright eyes, switched on and off like the beam of a searchlight.

But as good as Davis is in

ful punishment planned for her, strikes back as violently as she knows how.

Fixing her husband, and the audience, with a glare of pure hatred, Eagels spits out the famous curtain line – "With all my heart, and all my soul, I still love the man I killed!" – and then, clearly carried away by the passion she has summoned, repeats it to even greater effect.

It's a moment so sharp and vivid that it doesn't seem like acting at all, but rather an intensified form of being. (wbshop.com/Warner-Archive, \$19.99, not rated)

ZAZIE DANS LE METRO

Based on a witty and profane experimental novel by Raymond Queneau, "Zazie Dans le Metro" (1960) was the French filmmaker Louis Malle's nod toward the New Wave, a movement from which he was excluded by temperament and training. □

Emmy hearts Conan again while still neglecting Jay



In this photo released by Team Coco, Conan O'Brien, host of "Conan" on TBS speaks during his monologue in Burbank, Calif. On Thursday, July 14, 2011, "Conan" scored four Emmy nominations including Outstanding Variety, Music or Comedy series, as well as a best writing nod, and a nomination for Outstanding Lighting.

(AP Photo/Team Coco, Meghan Sinclair, file)

(AP) As usual, Jay Leno wasn't feeling the Emmy love on Thursday morning. But another late-night host who briefly wore the "Tonight Show" crown, Conan

O'Brien, got a warm Emmy reception for his first season as a cable guy. "Conan," which premiered last November on TBS, scored four Emmy Award nominations. These include outstanding variety, music or comedy series, as well as a best writing nod, and a nomination for outstanding lighting. Team Coco even snagged an Emmy nomination for outstanding commercial – the epic American Express promo that found Conan journeying to India in preparation for his new show (an ad that has since been viewed 2.5 million times on YouTube). But Leno's Emmy neglect isn't quite as embarrassing as last year. Then, both versions of NBC's late-night institution – Conan's and Jay's – would have qualified for Emmys. "The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien" was nominated for best series and best writing. "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" came up dry. It won in 1995. □



Model wears creations from Mango during a 080 Barcelona fashion show in Barcelona, Spain, Thursday, July 14, 2011.
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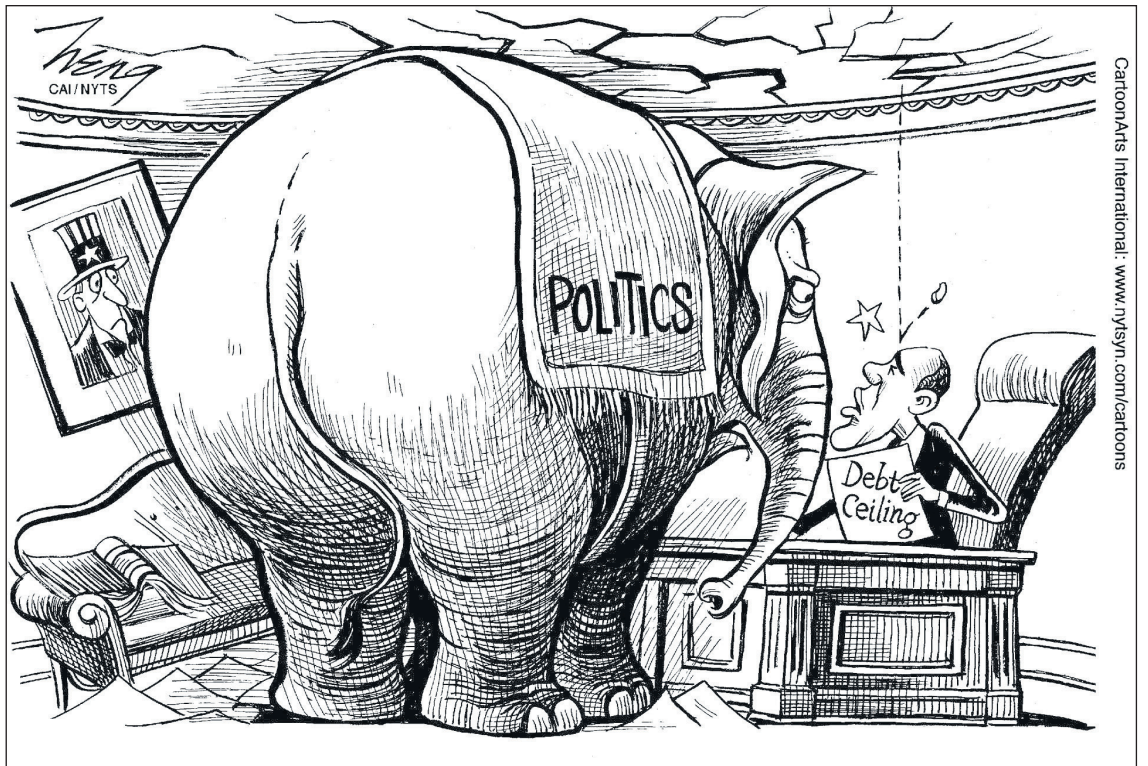
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The rise in the unemployment rate last month to 9.2 percent has Democrats and Republicans reliably falling back on their respective cure-alls. It is evidence for liberals that we need more stimulus and for conservatives that we need more tax cuts to increase demand. I am sure there is truth in both, but I do not believe they are the whole story. I think something else, something new – something that will require our kids not so much to find their next job as to invent their next job – is also influencing today's job market more than people realize. Look at the news these days from the most dynamic sector of the U.S. economy – Silicon Valley. Facebook is now valued near \$100 billion, Twitter at \$8 billion, Groupon at \$30 billion, Zynga at \$20 billion and LinkedIn at \$8 billion. These are the fastest-growing Internet/social networking companies in the world, and here's what's scary: You could easily fit all their employees together into the 20,000 seats in Madison Square Garden, and still have room for grandma. They just don't employ a lot of people relative to their valuations, and while they're all hiring today, they are largely looking for talented engineers. Indeed, what is most striking when you talk to employers today is how many of them have used the pressure of the recession to become even more productive by deploying more automation technologies, software, outsourcing, robotics – anything they can use to make better products with reduced head count and health care and pension liabilities. That is not going to change. And while many of them are hiring, they are increasingly picky. They are all looking for the same kind of people – people who not only have the critical thinking skills to do the value-adding jobs that technology can't, but also people who can invent, adapt and reinvent their jobs every day, in a market that changes faster than ever.

Today's college grads need to be aware that the rising trend in Silicon Valley is to evaluate employees every quarter, not annually. Because the merger of globalization and the IT revolution means new products are being phased in and out so fast that companies cannot afford to wait until the end of the year to figure out whether a team leader is doing a good job. Whatever you may be thinking when you apply for a job today, you can be sure the employer is asking this: Can this person add value every hour, every day – more

Adapt or die

than a worker in India, a robot or a computer? Can he or she help my company adapt by not only doing the job today but also reinventing the job for tomorrow? And can he or she adapt with all the change, so my company can adapt and export more into the fastest-growing global markets? In today's hyperconnected world, more and more companies cannot and will not hire people who don't fulfill those criteria. But you would never know that from listening to the debate in Washington, where some Democrats still tend to talk about job creation as if it's the 1960s and some Republicans as if it's the 1980s. But this is not your parents' job market. This is precisely why LinkedIn's founder, Reid Garrett Hoffman, one of the premier starter-uppers in Silicon Valley – besides co-founding LinkedIn, he is on the board of Zynga, was an early investor in Facebook and sits on the board of Mozilla – has a book coming out after the new year called "The Start-Up of You," co-written with Ben Casnocha. Its subtitle could easily be: "Hey, recent graduates! Hey, 35-year-old midcareer professional! Here's how you build your career today." Hoffman argues that professionals need an entirely new mindset and skill set to compete. "The old paradigm of climb up a stable career ladder is dead and gone," he said to me. "No career is a sure thing anymore. The uncertain, rapidly changing conditions in which entrepreneurs start companies is what it's now like for all of us fashioning a career. Therefore you should approach career strategy the same way an entrepreneur approaches starting a business." To begin with, Hoffman says, that means ditching a grand life plan. Entrepreneurs don't write a 100-page business plan and execute it one time; they're always experimenting and adapting based on what they learn. It also means using your network to pull in information and intelligence about where the growth opportunities are – and then investing in yourself to build skills that will allow you to take advantage of those opportunities. Hoffman adds: "You can't just say, 'I have a college degree, I have a right to a job, now someone else should figure out how to hire and train me.'" You have to know which industries are working and what is happening inside them and then "find a way to add value in a way no one else can. For entrepreneurs it's differentiate or die – that now goes for all of us." Finally, you have to strengthen the muscles of resilience. "You may have seen the news that ((the)) online radio service Pandora went public the other week," Hoffman said. "What's lesser known is that in the early days ((the founder)) pitched his idea more than 300 times to VCs with no luck." □



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WASHINGTON – At this late date, when we believe we know absolutely everything about Adolf Hitler, could it be that he was even crazier than we thought? From Caligula to Nero to Gadhafi, dictators are often not just cruel and evil, but lunatics. It's very rare to find a rational dictator. Absolute power deranges them and gives them delusions and fantasies. So we shouldn't be surprised by news reports suggesting the Fuhrer was batty beyond even Mel Brooks' satire. First, an MI5 document was declassified in London in April, revealing megalomaniacal schemes for Nazis to rise again if they lost the war by scattering sleeper agents around the world, and by killing Allied officers with poison infused in sausages, chocolate, Nescafe coffee, cigarette lighters and Bayer aspirin. German agents said they were instructed to first offer Allied targets a cigarette treated by Nazi scientists to give the smoker a headache, then finish the job with a poison aspirin that would kill within 10 minutes. Secret German weapons included a pellet that would emit a fatal vapor when heated by cigarette ash; poison for books, desks and door handles; a tablet of exploding powdered glass that would activate when placed next to a wet glass, and a belt buckle with a silver swastika that concealed a .32 pistol that could fire two shots. "The Werewolf organization, a network of Nazi saboteurs who would

Hitler's talking dogs

fight to create a Fourth Reich in the event Hitler's empire crumbled, were to leave tins of instant coffee powder and other foods laced with toxins where they could be found by British and American soldiers," The Daily Mail of London wrote, describing the declassified dossier. Four German spies captured after they parachuted into France in 1945, including one woman, spilled some of the assassination plots. Female agents were given purse mirrors with microbes hidden inside them, so they might infect top Allied occupiers with deadly bacteria. British military officials at the time considered the agents' stories "somewhat fantastic," but were worried enough to prohibit "the eating of German food or the smoking of German cigarettes" by advancing Allied troops.

A new book, "Amazing Dogs," by Jon Bondeson, a senior lecturer at Cardiff University in Wales, reveals that Hitler supported a German school that tried to teach large, muscular mastiffs to "talk" to humans. This story set off a panting spate of "Heel Hitler," "Furred Reich," "Wooffan SS" and "Arf Wiedersehen" headlines in British tabloids and plenty of claims that Hitler was "barking mad." "There were some very strange experiments going on in wartime Germany, with regard to dog-human communication," Bondeson writes, wondering: "Were the Nazis trying to develop a breed of super-intelligent canine stormtroopers, capable of communicating with their human masters of the Herrenvolk?" He discovered a 1943 Nazi magazine piece about the headmistress of the canine school, a Margarethe Schmitt, claiming that some of the dogs spoke a few words. "At a Nazi study course, a talking dog was once asked 'Who is Adolf Hitler?' and replied 'Mein Fuhrer!'"

Bondeson writes of these claims, noting that "the Nazis,

who had such conspicuous disregard for human rights, felt more strongly about the animals."

Nazi propaganda dwelled on Hitler as a dog lover. He owned two German Shepherds named Bella and Blondi. He tested a cyanide capsule on Blondi and killed her just before he committed suicide in the bunker. The Nazis took their dogs seriously. As The Guardian reported in January, the Nazi government was so furious about a dog in Finland that had been trained to imitate Hitler with a Nazi salute that the foreign office in Berlin started "an obsessive campaign" to destroy its owner. Bondeson writes that in Germany in the '20s, some people had a strong belief in the potential of superintelligent animals. He said that along with Thomas Mann and Hermann Hesse, an Airedale terrier named Rolf was considered one of the leading German intellectuals of the early 1900s. Rolf's owner said she taught him his own alphabet with a system of taps of his paw on a board and, Bondeson notes drolly, "he successfully dabbled in mathematics, ethics, religion and philosophy."

The latest wacky Hitler story comes from the British author Graeme Donald. He says that, while researching a military book, he stumbled across a story that Hitler and Heinrich Himmler were so worried about German soldiers' getting sexual diseases from French hookers that they cooked up a plan for soldiers to carry small blow-up blond, blue-eyed dolls called "gy-noids" in their backpacks to use as sex "comforters." Donald said Himmler ordered 50 dolls but the soldiers were too embarrassed to carry them.

"In the end the idea fizzled out," Donald told The Sun, "and the place where they were made and all the dolls were destroyed in the bombing of Dresden." □



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